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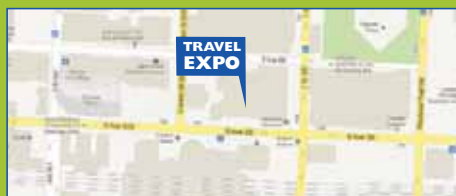
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# Budget raids piggy bank

► No tax hikes while spending increases ► Finance Minister Liepert denies government tabling feel-good budget for political gain

Premier Alison Redford's Tories delivered a pre-election budget Thursday that increased spending to record levels and raided billions from the piggy bank, while promising the province will be out of the red within a year.

There are no tax hikes, no new taxes, no significant program cuts and no job layoffs. And there is more money to pay for everything from new police officers to smaller class sizes to student loans.

"We've delivered a budget that Albertans said they would support," Finance Minister Ron Liepert told reporters before delivering the 2012-13 spending document.

"That's our job: To listen to Albertans."

The plan is predicated on the price of oil staying high, even soaring to an average of \$108 US a barrel by 2014, prompting the opposition Wildrose party to label the premier "Alison in Wonderland."

It currently sits close to \$100 a barrel.

Liepert denied the government is doing a pre-election bait-and-switch by tabling a feel-good budget that will be followed after the election by job and program cuts when the Tories conduct a government-wide financial review.

Redford has promised to pass the budget, then drop the writ on a general election, with a campaign likely to begin in mid-March.

Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith said the Tories are budgeting on a wish and a prayer.

"It's an Alison in Wonderland budget," said Smith.

Brian Mason, leader of the NDP, agreed that the Tories are handing out "goodies" based on unrealistic projections. He said if Redford's team wins the election it will then either hike taxes or cut jobs. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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## Budget bottom line

- The bottom line amounts to an \$886 million deficit, the fifth in a row after 14 years of surpluses.
- The budget boosts government spending by 3.3 per cent to a record \$41.1 billion.
- Program spending is up almost seven per cent, with substantial raises for education, health, cities, and money for the most vulnerable.
- The bills are to be paid for with rising oil revenues, taxes from a growing population and a \$3.7-billion drawdown from the \$7.5-billion Sustainability Fund.
- The budget projects that there will be a \$952-million budget surplus next year and a \$5.2-billion surplus the year after that.

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► Nine-year-old West James and his father, Brad James, are seen Thursday in the offices of Horizon Shipping after they were rescued from their sinking sailboat by a cargo ship in Honolulu.

## Alberta trio rescued at sea near Hawaii during storm

- Man from Edmonton, father and son from Calgary safe and sound
- Family spent hours in damaged sailboat before being rescued



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Back on dry land, three Albertans are grateful for their lives.

Brad James, 32, his son West, 9, and brother Mitchell, 29, were rescued 450 kilometres from their destination in Hawaii at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday after spending more than six hours in their damaged 38-foot vessel.

The trio was sailing from Mexico to Hawaii when they lost power, their mast snapped and engine overheated during conditions described as "extreme" by the U.S. Coast Guard.

All three are from Edmonton, but Brad and his son currently live in Calgary.

From Edmonton, Daniel Butler spoke with his friends a few hours after the rescue.

"Brad was just talking

about how happy he was to be alive, and how grateful he was," said Butler.

A 900-foot Horizon cargo ship was sent to rescue the sailors, but the ship's size, high seas and strong winds threw them overboard before they were ultimately rescued.

Afterwards, the ship's captain told Brad rescues during the night in a storm in the middle of the Pacific are "difficult and unlikely," said Butler.

### Setting sail

- The three were treated for mild hypothermia and arrived in Honolulu early Thursday.
- Arrangements are underway for Brad's wife, Megan, to join the family in Hawaii before they return home.
- The Kiahona set sail Jan. 11 from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, for Hilo on Hawaii's Big Island.

## Dad makes plea for fugitive son to return

A father made a quiet, poetic plea for his fugitive son to return to his rural Alberta home, where two Mounties were shot and wounded and a family member was found dead earlier this week.

"Sawyer, we love you. You know that," Ray Robinson read haltingly from a piece of paper outside the RCMP detachment in Killam on Thursday. His wife and a friend stood by his side as he spoke to a throng of news cameras.

"We want to have you back and we know how hard it may be for you to come back to us.

"Swallow your hurt and listen to the quiet world."

Sawyer Clarke Robinson, 27, has been on the run since Tuesday afternoon, when the officers were shot while executing a search warrant for a gun on the family farm, about 160 kilometres southeast of Edmonton.

RCMP said a previous domestic violence incident in a nearby town led them to the search.

Four officers arrived at the property and shortly after constables Sheldon Shah and Sidney Gaudette walked into the house, shots were fired. Shah and Gaudette were hit, but managed to make it back outside where they were taken away.

Police say Robinson was inside the house during the shooting. He drove away in a black pickup truck.

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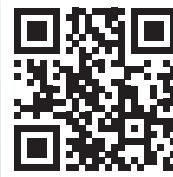
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# No surprises for Nenshi in budget

Calgary's funding from the province will remain little changed following the delivery of what Mayor Naheed Nenshi describes as a "stay-the-course budget."

"There's no real surprises in here," said Nenshi. "That's both good and bad; we can continue to

count on a lot of the funding that we've had, but there's no real new funding in here to address the number of municipal priorities."

Last year, the province redistributed \$42 million from the education portion of the property tax, which the city put to-

wards high-priority community infrastructure such as the new Central Public Library and new recreation centres.

This year, however, the province is increasing its take of the 2012 education property tax, likely leaving Calgary with little to no additional tax room.

"It would have been nice to have had it, but at the same time, the province has a significant revenue problem," said Nenshi.

Nenshi said Calgary's \$260-million portion of the Municipal Sustainability Initiative was what he expected. **KATIE TURNER**



► Mayor Naheed Nenshi reacts to the provincial budget Thursday at city hall.

# Education funding dashes hopes for major change

► **Instructional, operating budgets** ► **Contract negotiations between teachers, province stalled in days leading up to provincial budget reveal**



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It's not exactly a failing grade, but school-board and teacher representatives were quick to identify shortcomings in the education portion of the provincial budget Thursday.

"They've put schools in the same position — cutting staff or cutting programs," said Alberta Teachers' Association President Carol Henderson, referring to a one per cent hike to the basic instruction grant for this year and subsequent two per cent hikes in 2013 and 2014. "It's a bit of a shell game. I don't think it will bring stability to Alberta students."

Projections on possible instructor layoffs or hires will likely wait until a contract framework is ham-

## New schools

► One bright spot in the education budget was approximately \$1 billion slated for building new schools over the next three years. However, the Alberta School Boards Association openly expressed concern over a lack of dollars for maintenance in current facilities.

mered out between the province and ATA.

"I am fairly optimistic we will be able to negotiate a long-term deal based on the dollars within this budget," said Education Minister Thomas Lukaszuk.

School-board operating budgets were also increased in the budget by 3.4 per cent, but elected Calgary trustees were still awaiting word of whether the funds



► Estimates from the Alberta Teachers' Association suggest within a decade, 100,000 additional students will need to be accommodated in schools provincially.

would improve overall conditions in city schools.

"We are cautiously optimistic," offered Mary Mar-

tin, chair of the Calgary Catholic School District trustee board.

Calgary Board of Educa-

tion trustees, meanwhile, are awaiting an analysis report that could be ready as early as Feb. 21.

## Alberta budget

### highlights

- **\$1.2B.** Overall health-care spending will rise by \$1.2 billion and the province is allocating \$232 million of that to help operate and staff the new South Calgary Health Campus, scheduled to begin opening in phases later this year.
- **\$110M.** A total of \$110 million will be devoted to getting homeless people off Alberta streets. The money will be put towards the creation of an inter-agency council and aim to develop housing for 1,800 individuals as well as more than 3,100 shelter spaces.
- **\$14M.** The province has pledged \$14 million towards its Safe Communities Innovation Fund to support crime prevention and education among municipalities and regions. There are also plans to hire an additional 90 RCMP officers and 55 sheriffs for the province starting in 2013.
- **\$400.** A \$400 monthly increase in living allowance for the roughly 46,000 Albertans utilizing the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped program.

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## FIRST NATION

**Douse Tsuu T'ina fire: Nenshi**

Mayor Naheed Nenshi said he would like to see the garbage-dump fire burning on the Tsuu T'ina First Nation under control as soon as possible.

"There's been a lot of strange information about what's actually happening out there," Nenshi told reporters. "For awhile it sounded

like it was a controlled burn, now it sounds like it is not."

Nenshi said Tsuu T'ina Chief Sandford Big Plume has been in touch with the mayor's office to keep him informed.

He said the Calgary Fire Department has offered assistance and is working with the Tsuu T'ina to control the fire that began Wednesday.

"Frankly, I'm just interested in cleaning up the air wafting over south Calgary as quickly as we can."

● KATIE TURNER

**Controversial glacier walk at Jasper park gets go-ahead from Ottawa**

A controversial glacier-walk project at Jasper National Park has been given a green light.

Environment Minister Peter Kent announced the approval for the project Thursday in Ottawa.

The project would involve a 400-metre trail and a glass-floored observation deck above the Sunwapta Valley.

Construction of the project could begin as soon as late this year or in early 2013. ● METRO

# GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY IN CALGARY AT THE RIPE AGE OF 30

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sion, one of this city's trendiest neighbourhoods.

It was an illegal basement apartment, but an apartment nonetheless. Thanks to a sturdy metabolism, I could go out until all hours of the night and any of my major dietary needs could be serviced at a CPU. In many ways, I was like a 24-year-old Ralph Klein.

I recently went out to Hi-fi club and realized that at some point in the past few years, I had changed. Maybe it was the fact that no one was wearing clothes that actually fit, or that I couldn't talk to anyone because the music was too loud. Also, I was sober because I wanted to get an early start on the next day.

But somewhere between the skinny jeans and shards of broken bottles on the floor, I realized that, yes, I'm now old. No, not like alderman old, but I'm defi-

**"But somewhere between the skinny jeans and shards of broken bottles on the floor, I realized that, yes, I'm now old."**

nately feeling older than when I first moved here.

With the final months of my 20s officially on life support, I'm left pondering the biggest question of all: What do old people do in Calgary? Presumably, they are the ones who buy all the early-bird tickets to the Calgary Folk Music Festival, so that will be good. But, then, I guess that I too will now have to join them in yelling at people to sit down during high-energy performances.

Even though I'm mostly bald, I can still see the grey

hairs beginning to poke through, which automatically causes me to make reservations at Olive Garden and vote in this spring's election by mail. And my dream of spending a wild weekend in Las Vegas will likely turn into a weeklong sojourn in Tucson, meaning those tequila shots will now be replaced by golf shots.

And what about living arrangements? I guess being old means that I can't have roommates anymore, doesn't it? And if that's the case, how can I afford to continue living in the city's trendiest neighbourhoods?

I've always wondered why people end up in the suburbs. For the first time in 30 years, I know why.

*Mike Morrison is the perfectly bald head behind Mike's Bloggity Blog. He also tweets regularly from*



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# Commercial PMMA-ecstasy testing kits coming to Canada

► At least nine deaths have been linked to a toxic compound in Alberta ► Police not in favour of the products, as they deem any illegal drug use unsafe



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Final preparations are being made to distribute ecstasy-testing kits in Canada specifically designed to detect a toxic compound linked to numerous deaths recently, but police aren't supporting the move.

Working in partnership with a private contractor, Seattle-based harm-reduction group DanceSafe and Toronto's Trip! Project expect to have commercially available PMMA-ecstasy

testing kits ready in weeks.

The PMMA compound is considered cheaper and five times more toxic than the more common ecstasy compound MDMA.

"This is about helping people determine what is good ecstasy, that being MDMA," said DanceSafe President Nathan Messer.

The group does already offer numerous testing kits designed to detect other compounds in ecstasy powder, but has run into difficulty when attempting to ship mass quantities of kits over the border.

## Testing kits

- A Metro analysis Thursday found only one other group in Amsterdam to be offering testing kits able to detect PMMA.
- DanceSafe typically distributes its ecstasy testing products for \$25-50.

Once the PMMA tests are ready, Trip! will take care of domestic production and distribution, confirmed Lori Kufner.

Police representatives consulted by Metro Thurs-



► Ecstasy testing kits work by applying a reagent to the drug powder and then observing the colours it produces to determine what chemical compounds are prevalent.

day indicated that there was nothing to suggest the kits are illegal but they stressed that ingesting any ecstasy compound is dangerous.

"They offer a false sense of security," Calgary police spokesperson Kevin Brookwell said of the kits. "Are

you willing to risk your life on the results of an unproven test?"

"This not about PMMA.... People have been dying of overdoses of all kinds of street drugs for years."

Messer said where his group would traditionally field one or two calls a

month from potential Canadian customers. Lately, the phones have been ringing daily.

He also took issue with the police stance on the testing kits.

"So, if you are speeding and die, should we not be making cars safer?" he said.

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## CENTRE FOR BIOETHICAL REFORM

**Police retract pro-life protester's ticket**

Calgary police have decided to withdraw a ticket issued to a pro-life demonstrator over the weekend.

Carrying graphic images of what they claim to be aborted fetuses, members with the Canadian Centre for

Bioethical Reform were demonstrating near Chinook Centre Saturday when a police officer approached and demanded they put their signs away.

Group leader Francisco Gomez refused and was issued a ticket. The group's materials were also seized but have since been returned.

"The Calgary Police Service fully recognizes the fundamental freedoms of thought, belief, opinion, expression and of peaceful assembly, as outlined in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms," a statement released Thursday said.

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**Police searching for thief**

Police are searching for a man who allegedly used a hammer and baton to rob multiple commercial

stores in Calgary.

It's believed the same suspect robbed four different places on Jan. 30, Jan. 31 and Feb. 6.

Photos of the suspect are available online at the City of Calgary Newsroom. Anyone with information is asked to call 403-266-1234. ● METRO

# Panda arrival could be years away

- ▶ PM announced Thursday two giant pandas will be coming to Calgary
- ▶ The pandas would likely spend five years each in Calgary and Toronto



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Canada and China appear to have come to an agreement that would see two giant pandas on loan for 10 years but it could still be a long wait for Calgarians.

While the details have yet to be finalized, according to a statement from the Prime Minister's office, the Chinese government has agreed to loan the pair of pandas to the Toronto and Calgary zoos.

Calgary Zoo spokesperson Laurie Skene said after two years of negotiations, the planning can soon get underway.

"At this point, we don't

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- ▶ Skene said once the agreement is finalized they'll begin evaluating their facilities to determine if they need to renovate or build an entirely new exhibit.
- ▶ The deal was expected to be finalized Saturday in Beijing.

know where they're going first," she said. "If they go to Toronto first, we're six or seven years before they're coming to Calgary, so we'd have lots of time."

Avid zoo-goer and animal lover Jordan Wood, 12, said she was thrilled to hear



▶ Pandas, like the one seen here in a Chinese preservation area, will be coming to Calgary after a deal was finalized with China.

the pandas will be making a home in Calgary.

"I really like going to the

zoo and every time there's a new animal I think it's cool to go and watch them."



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## STUDY

## Mood matters during pregnancy: Researcher

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The phrase “happy mom, happy baby” has never been more accurate.

Research from the University of Calgary’s faculty of medicine suggests the mood of a pregnant woman can impact her baby’s health.

Gerry Giesbrecht, psychologist and lead author of the study, said the study assessed how the stress hormone cortisol fluctuates when a woman’s mood changes.

“We know that cortisol crossed the placenta and we know that too much cortisol is associated with poor development,” he said. “What our study is showing is we should be



► Fiona McCord with her son Brik.

paying attention to stress, depression and anxiety during pregnancy because of the way it affects cortisol in pregnant women.”

Fiona McCord took part in the study when she was pregnant with her now nearly two-year-old son, Brik, and will take the results to heart if she has future pregnancies.

“I think any study that says, ‘Don’t do this because it has negative results for your baby,’ you’ll follow.”

# SAIT sleds could steer Canucks to Olympic glory

► Three members of men’s national skeleton team used locally designed sleds during World Cup runs

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He equates his creations to cafeteria trays with runners.

But modest or not, it seems Alex Zahavich, SAIT’s director of applied research and innovation services, and his students have a knack for getting Canadian skeleton athletes from the top of the track to the bottom in a hurry.

The local polytechnic has designed 30 sleds for use by top athletes and this season marks the first time all three members of the men’s Canadian national team are using them.

“They (students) are see-

### Students’ work

- In all, 15 to 20 students have contributed to designing portions of SAIT’s skeleton sled fleet.
- SAIT’s sleds have already helped athletes climb the podium on the skeleton’s developmental Europa circuit.

ing a very direct application of their efforts and I think that’s an incredible learning experience,” Zahavich said.

The sport of skeleton, which many describe as a face-first version of luge, gained popularity during the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. Spectators will

recall images of Canadian Jon Montgomery chugging celebratory beer on the streets of Whistler after claiming gold. Representatives with Bobsleigh Canada Skeleton hope SAIT’s innovative designs help steer them to more success.

“The athletes know that at SAIT they are getting a quality sled with internationally proven, leading-edge technology,” said BCS high-performance director Nathan Cicoria.

And when asked about the 2014 Games in Sochi, Russia, Zahavich doesn’t hold back his enthusiasm.

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► SAIT director Alex Zahavich with a skeleton sled he helped design.

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# All-boys school 'really cool': Students

Principal deems first semester with new program a success Bolstering enrolment seen as a priority



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Books on bugs, trucks, superheroes and dinosaurs — what more could a boy want?

At least that's the way Declan Barber, a Grade 2 student taking part in the inaugural year of the Calgary Board of Education's all-boys program, sees it.

"It's really cool here," he says, while thumbing through a graphic novel. "I kind of like it because there's no girls.... I have a sister that always bugs me at home."

The school opened with questions surrounding its future viability in September.

Critics were quick to note the 80 students enrolled was only a slight improvement on the total number attending classes

## Boys in the 'hood

- Classroom learning at the all-boys program focuses on shorter instruction and activities, as boys are known to have shorter attention spans, principal Garry Jones said. Books, art projects and physical activity are also specifically catered towards boys' interests.
- Many students attend the program from the commu-

nity immediately surrounding its 3519-36th Avenue S.W. location, but others are bused in from faraway communities like Tuscany and Auburn Bay.

The all-boys program is currently for students in kindergarten to Grade 5, but the program will add on Grade 6 instruction in the fall.

More information about the Calgary Board of Education's all-boys program can be found at [cbe.ab.ca](http://cbe.ab.ca).

District had long struggled to get a gender-specific program off the ground before succeeding with the opening of Sacred Heart school in 2010.

Nevertheless, he deems the program a worthwhile effort and said early enrolment projections indicate more students will be in attendance for Year 2 this

fall. "We are already seeing such positive things in just four months," Jones said. "The caring for each other, the sense of community — that's a really

big thing for these boys." The school has certainly made an impact on young Declan. His mother Jaida Green-Barber says she has noticed the difference. "Just last night he said

to me, 'Mom, I really like my school,'" she said.

For Declan, the difference is simple.

"They didn't have much cool stuff at my old school," he said.



Declan Barber does some light reading in the library open to students enrolled in the Calgary Board of Education's all-boys program.

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► In this 2009 file photo, U.S. Marine Sgt. Monica Perez helps Lance Cpl. Mary Shloss put on her headscarf before heading out on a patrol in Afghanistan.

## PENTAGON MOVES TO EASE JOB LIMITS FOR WOMEN IN MILITARY

The U.S. military formally opened thousands of jobs to women on Thursday in units that are closer to the front lines than ever before, reflecting what already has been occurring as female soldiers fight and die next to their male comrades.

The new rules, affecting thousands of jobs, will break down more of the official barriers that have restricted the military positions women can take. They are being sent to Congress, and if lawmakers take no action after 30 work days the policy will take effect.

The changes still are not coming fast enough for some in Congress or the military. They noted the rules still ban women from serving as infantry, armour and special-operations

forces, which are considered the most dangerous combat jobs.

Instead, they reflect what has been happening for the past 10 years of war in Iraq and Afghanistan. They will allow women to perform many jobs they already are doing, but in smaller units, closer to the fighting and once considered too dangerous.

Rep. Loretta Sanchez, a member of the Armed Services Committee, said she was disappointed that the Defence Department failed to lift the ban on combat jobs for women.

Because combat service gives troops an advantage for promotions and job opportunities, it has been more difficult for women to move to higher ranks.

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# Fashion's man of the moment defies gender

► Androgynous Aussie has modelled for Marc Jacobs, John Galliano, Jean Paul Gaultier ► At six-foot-one he's rail-thin, a women's size 2 or 4

On a chilly day, Andrej Pejic settles into a Manhattan café with a cup of tea, sitting gracefully, long legs crossed. The blue-eyed fashion model gazes out a window, unaware that almost every man sitting nearby is transfixed.

A man walks up to the window, presses his face against the glass and kisses it. Pejic giggles and admits: "I find it flattering."

The admirers are likely unaware that the beautiful blond is actually a man.

As Fashion Week gets under way in New York City, Pejic is one of the most recognizable — and controversial — faces in the industry. He's the only top-tier fashion model who can walk down the runway as either a man or a woman. And his androgynous beauty has turned him into a trendsetter in an industry that's always seeking to push the envelope.

Although Pejic isn't trying to be a woman, many in the transgender community have already claimed him as their own. He is seen as a bit of a maverick, someone who has embraced his sexuality without any need for explanation or justification.



► Model Andrej Pejic has makeup applied for a fashion shoot in New York.

**14** Andrej Pejic graced the covers of 14 magazines last year alone, including an ad campaign for a Dutch push-up bra.

tion. Last year, the gay and lesbian magazine Out named him "stylemaker of the year" and put him on its cover wearing a bridal veil and flowers in his hair.

From an early age, Pejic exhibited qualities thought of as traditionally feminine, for instance, preferring Barbies over toy cars. As a teenager, he often hung out with girls. He says acceptance from his friends and family made him comfortable in his own skin.

"I'm lucky in that sense," he says. "If I had big muscles and were

hairy with a beard, I might not be comfortable with that."

While open to discussing almost anything, Pejic remains secretive about his sexual orientation. When asked whether he prefers men or women, he coyly smiles.

"Love has no boundaries," he says.

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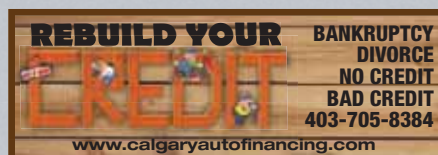
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# Ontario crash survivors recovering

- Two men upgraded from critical to fair condition
- Community set up trust funds to help families of victims

At least one of the survivors of this week's horrific collision in rural southwestern Ontario is improving in hospital, but it's unclear what kind of future the living victims face.

A victims' group working with migrant workers injured on the job is raising concerns that the three survivors will have supports cut off or will be deported to Peru.

Ten poultry-farm workers and a truck driver were killed Monday in Hampstead, Ont., when a van carrying the workers drove into the path of the truck.

Three migrant workers from Peru survived the vio-

lent collision.

Juan Ariza, 35, was initially taken to hospital in nearby Stratford in critical condition, but the hospital says he was transferred to London, Ont., in stable condition.

The London Health Sciences Centre says Ariza and Javier Abelardo Alba-Medina, 38, are both now listed in fair condition.

Edgar Sulla-Puma, 26, was airlifted from the crash site to Hamilton General Hospital in critical condition, but the hospital said Thursday his family doesn't want further updates released publicly.

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## Local support

► **Speedy Transport** announced that it has set up a trust fund to help the family of the London, Ont., truck driver killed in the accident. Donations can be made through CIBC.

► **Two other funds** have also been set up to help the victims' families. Donations to the United Food and Commercial Workers union and the Agriculture Workers Alliance fund can be made through PayPal or TD Canada Trust. Donations to a Township of Perth East fund can be made at any CIBC branch.

## The chamber of seating squabbles

In Ottawa yesterday, the Senate witnessed a showdown over seating.

The newly elected chair of the Senate banking committee, a Conserva-

tive, didn't want the vice-chair, a Liberal, sitting next to him.

But when Tory Irving Gerstein asked Celine Hervieux-Payette to step away from the head table, she refused.

So Gerstein tabled a new motion, which passed the Tory-dominated chamber, and forced Payette to find a new seat farther away.

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## PUBLIC BACKLASH

## Feds slammed over torture policy

Pressure is mounting on the federal government to scrap its policy on torture-tainted information. Amnesty International

Canada and the official Opposition are calling on the Conservatives to impose a total ban on material gleaned from torture.

Controversy is raging over revelations the government directed Canada's spy agency to use information that may have been extracted through torture in cases where public safety is at risk. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Multiple people killed in B.C. crash

Multiple people have been killed after a tractor-trailer and an SUV collided on a highway in central British Columbia.

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Saunderson said the collision occurred on Highway 97 near McLeese Lake, which is located between Quesnel and Williams Lake, and may have killed between three and six people.

Original reports said five were killed, but Saunderson said there are conflicting numbers. She said police are unsure of how many people were in the van. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Cops. On the Streets

► Brazilian police, firefighters and prison guards protest during a rally in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Thursday Feb. 9, 2012.



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## Brazilian strike threatens security

Rio state police officers voted at a rally Thursday night to begin a strike that could prompt violence during the globe's biggest Carnival bash in spite of government approval of a pay raise earlier in the day. The work stoppage will force authorities to deploy thousands of soldiers into the streets to provide security in this city of six million people that will host the 2014 World Cup finals and the 2016 Olympics.

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► In this undated citizen journalism image provided by the Local Coordination Committees in Syria and accessed on Thursday, damaged houses from the Syrian government forces shelling are seen at Baba Amr neighbourhood in Homs province. A weeklong government offensive has created a deepening humanitarian crisis.



# Syrian city struggles to treat the wounded

► Worst attack on Homs since uprising began in March: Activists ► Sanctions have not halted violence

Between blasts of rockets and mortar fire, Syrians used loudspeakers to call for blood donations and medical supplies Thursday in the stricken city of Homs, where a weeklong government offensive has created a deepening humanitarian crisis.

Government forces are trying to crush pockets of violent resistance in Homs, the epicentre of an 11-month-old uprising that has brought the country ever closer to civil war.

The intense shelling in restive neighbourhoods such as Baba Amr has made it difficult to get medicine and care to the wounded, and some areas have been without electricity for days, activists say.

"Anything that moves, even a bird, is targeted. Life is completely cut off. It's a city of ghosts," Abu Muhammad Ibrahim, an ac-

**"This brutal assault on residential neighbourhoods shows the Syrian authorities' contempt for the lives of their citizens in Homs... Those responsible for such horrific attacks will have to answer for them."**

ANNA NEISTAT, ASSOCIATE EMERGENCIES DIRECTOR AT HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH

tivist in Homs, told The Associated Press by phone.

Hundreds of people are believed to have been killed since early Saturday.

Human Rights Watch also said eyewitness accounts, as well as video, suggest Syrian government forces are using long-range, indirect fire weapons such as mortars.

Such weapons "are in-

herently indiscriminate when fired into densely populated areas," the New York-based group said.

The wounded have overwhelmed makeshift hospitals and clinics, and there were growing concerns that the locked-down city could soon run out of supplies.

"There is medicine in the pharmacies, but getting it to the field clinics is very difficult. They can't get the medicine to the wounded," Mohammed Saleh, a Syria-based activist, told the AP by telephone.

If rebel forces keep gaining ground in Homs, which is the capital of Syria's largest province, some believe they could ultimately carve out a zone akin to Benghazi in eastern Libya, where rebels launched their successful uprising against Moammar Gadhafi last year.

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► This Syrian Arab News Agency handout photo shows a funeral procession for security forces killed in recent fighting in Syria.

### For the children

UN senior official calls on Syria to halt violence against children in ongoing conflict.

► The U.N. representative for children in armed conflict says hundreds of children have been killed in the months-long violence in Syria and is calling on the country to immediately halt such attacks.

► Radhika Coomaraswamy said in a statement Thurs-

day that the situation is particularly harrowing in Homs, where reports of the killing of children and shelling of civilian infrastructure are received daily.

► U.N. officials have repeatedly called on Syrian President Bashar Assad's government to end its crackdown on civilians amid a rising death toll that has surpassed 5,400 since the uprising began in March.

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## Number of 'actual' dead unknown in Homs

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and the Local Coordination Committees (LCC) were trying to compile numbers and names of those killed Thursday. The LCC, an activist group, said up to 100 people were killed in Homs, but the toll was impossible to verify. Activists also reported violence in the towns of Zabadani and Daraa.

The international community is searching for new diplomatic approaches to stop the protracted conflict. The Syrian government blames the unrest on a foreign conspiracy by Israel and the West. It says armed gangs and terrorists are behind the uprising, which began with mostly peaceful protests. The insurgency is raising fears the country is spiraling toward civil war.

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**63** The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported 63 deaths in Homs, Syria.



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# Canada and China set table for trade

► Harper hints Canada ready to take economic relationship to next level

## Canada

A new poll suggests Canadians want China's help driving the economy, but doesn't want it in the driver's seat.

- **Money.** In the Canadian Press-Harris Decima survey, 51 per cent of Canadians polled welcomed Chinese investment.
- **Ownership.** But 49 per cent of those polled feel Chinese companies taking over an existing foreign-owned company operating in Canada is bad or very bad.

A raft of agreements between Canada and China may see the two countries ready to set sail on free-trade talks.

But even as Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao appeared ready to jump on that ship, Trade Minister Ed Fast was already backpedalling away from the possibility that Canada is ready for a trade deal that could revolutionize the economy.

The spectre of a free-trade deal was raised as the two countries released a joint statement committing to complete an joint economic study by May.

That paves the way, Prime Minister Stephen

Harper said, to move the economic relationship to the next level.

"Further diversifying our trading relations has the potential of greatly expanding Canadian growth and job creation," Harper said in a speech to the Canada-China business forum at the close of his stop in Beijing.

In a statement posted to the Chinese Foreign Ministry website, Wen had gone further, saying the feasibility of a free-trade agreement should be on the table.

But when asked directly, Trade Minister Ed Fast said Canada was taking things one step at a time.

"We're not going to get ahead of ourselves," he said.

"Our end game is to deepen our trade relationship in one of our key priority markets," he added.

The Harper government has placed a premium on signing free-trade deals, launching and concluding negotiations with several countries over the last six years.

But they can be political hot potatoes as the Mulroney government learned in the late 1980s when it was negotiating a deal with the United States and had to fight an election on its merits.

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► Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his wife Laureen look at a model home while touring the China-Canada Green Building Design Centre in Langfang, China, Thursday.



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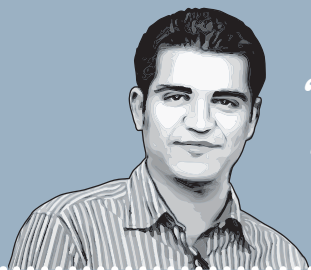
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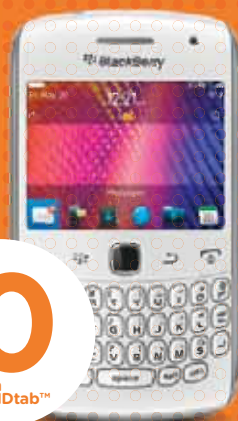
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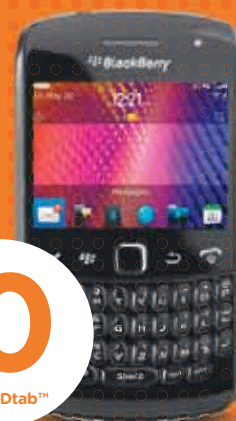


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# Giant shark attracts visitors, controversy

► Pakistani merchant fights police over right to charge spectators ► 20-ton shark draws hundreds in Karachi

Qasim Khan waged the unlikeliest of battles with Pakistani authorities Thursday over the right to charge hundreds of curious visitors the equivalent of 22 cents each to see a roughly 40-foot whale shark he bought from a fisherman.

Khan is in the business of buying fish, albeit usually much smaller ones, and jumped at the chance on Tuesday to pay about \$2,200 US for the 20-ton behemoth, which was discovered dead in the Arabian Sea off the southern Pakistani city of Karachi.

Business was brisk Wednesday, as several thousand people paid to see the brown- and white-spotted shark, which Khan set up



► Staff of Karachi fisheries lift the carcass of a 40-foot whale shark in Pakistan on Tuesday.

under a cloth tent next to the harbour.

But police cracked down Thursday, saying fishery authorities had decided people should be allowed to see the shark for free. Khan resisted and hid his prize attraction under the giant piece of green cloth he had

previously used as a tent. The move sparked a comic game of cat and mouse between Khan and the police. They would order him to remove the cover, which he would do briefly before replacing it. Then the cycle would start over again.

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## Police. Pranked

► In this Feb. 2 photo, the state seal is seen on the side of a Vermont State Police cruiser in Middlesex, Vt.



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## This little piggy has fans

Remember that pig hidden within the decal on the doors of some Vermont State Police cruisers? There's now a movement underway to keep the pig. The pig hidden within the red cows was first noticed last week, years after it was hidden there by a prison inmate who designed the 16-inch decals. The creator of the "save the pigs" Facebook page, Cid Sinclair of Barre, wants the state to keep the pigs on the cruisers. He says times have been tough and the pigs are an opportunity for Vermonters "to laugh together as one." He has more than 500 supporters.

## Brazil takes steps toward censoring tweets

An attempt to block Twitter users from alerting drivers to police roadblocks, radar traps and drunk-driving checkpoints could make Brazil the first country to take Twitter up on its plans to censor content at governments' requests.

About two weeks ago, Twitter unveiled plans to allow country-specific censorship of tweets that might break local laws.

An official at the federal prosecutor's office in Goias state Thursday said that as far as he knows no other country has yet tried to get Twitter to block tweets. He declined to be identified because he was not authorized to speak to the press.

A spokesman for the federal prosecutor's office said the injunction request was filed Feb. 6.

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# FBI files reveal dark side of Jobs

► Documents say Apple founder was power-hungry, dishonest ► Secret report now being shared with public

FBI background interviews of some people who knew Apple co-founder Steve Jobs reveal a man driven by power and alienating some of the people who worked with him.

In the FBI documents released Thursday, many of those who knew Jobs praised him, speaking highly of Jobs' character and integrity and asserting that he always conducted his business dealings in a reputable manner. They recommended him for a post during the George H.W. Bush administration.

The 1991 interviews were part of a background check for an appointment to the President's Export



► Steve Jobs

Council.

The U.S. Commerce Department confirmed Thursday that Jobs did serve on the council during the first Bush administration.

Export council members serve in an unpaid capacity and meet at least twice a

year, advising the president on trade policy.

One person told FBI agents the Apple co-founder's enormous power caused him to lose sight of honesty and integrity, leading him to distort the truth.

Another interview subject described Jobs to the FBI as a deceptive person — someone who was not totally forthright and honest, and as having a tendency to distort reality in order to achieve his goals.

And an ex-business associate who had a falling out with Jobs said that, while honest and trustworthy, Jobs nonetheless had questionable moral character.

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Bulls. Colombia



► Animal-rights activists lie on the ground, forming a bull's image during a protest against bullfighting in Bogota, Colombia.

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## Activists protest bullfighting

## Man pleads guilty to South Park threats

A Muslim convert from Brooklyn pleaded guilty Thursday to using a website he founded to post online threats against the creators of the South Park television show and others he deemed enemies of Is-

lam.

In court papers filed Thursday with his guilty plea, Jesse Curtis Morton, 33, admitted that his now-defunct Revolution Muslim website served as an outlet for al-Qaida propa-

ganda, and that he used the site to post thinly veiled threats against South Park creators Matt Stone and Trey Parker and others Morton believed to be against Islam.

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# Tassimo recalls products over rupture, burn concerns

► Ten-year-old Minnesota girl sent to hospital for second-degree burns

More than 40 people, including a two-year-old Canadian girl, have suffered second-degree burns from malfunctioning Tassimo coffee makers or exploding discs, prompting a recall across North America, authorities say.

Two separate Kraft Foods Canada recalls involve 900,000 Bosch-brand Tassimo coffee makers and 2 million Gevalia and Nabob espresso T-Discs in Canada.

Another 835,000 Bosch-brand Tassimo coffee makers and two million T-Discs are being recalled in the U.S.

The malfunctioning coffee makers can spray people with hot liquid, because of the way an insert is hold-



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### Air Canada facing pilot strike

Air Canada headed closer to another possible labour disruption Thursday after its pilots began a strike vote in response to what they said was a "rigid" company position that appeared aimed at escalating their contract dispute.

A strike mandate after the schedule five days of voting would put the airline's 3,000 pilots in a legal strike position early on Feb. 17, or 72 hours after the end of a mandatory cooling-off period.

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► An Air Canada flight lands in Halifax.



The strike vote doesn't mean the pilots will actually initiate a labour stoppage, but it gives the union the ability to respond to any unilateral moves by the company.

"The corporation has tabled a position that asks for more concessions and threatens our entire careers through scope changes that would ship much of our flying outside Air Canada, possibly off-

shore," Captain Gary Tarves, chairman of the Air Canada Pilots Association, said in a memo to pilots.

The pilots said the company rejected its offer to delay any strike or lockout until April 2 and any strike vote to no earlier than March 22.

Their proposal would have also prohibited the company from changing conditions of pilots employment as is permitted during the time when job action is permitted.

Air Canada CEO Calin Rovinescu told analysts that the airline still hopes to conclude a negotiated settlement despite Tuesday's expiry of the conciliation period.

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## Apple to unveil new iPad?





A news report says Apple plans to unveil a new iPad early next month.

AllThingsD, a website affiliated with The Wall Street Journal, says Apple is holding an event in San Francisco the first week of March — the same week the company announced the iPad 2 last year.

The report cites unnamed people familiar with the device. Apple declined comment Thursday.

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## Economic power shifting: TD Bank

Canadians are becoming increasingly pessimistic about the economy and gains in living standards will slow as economic power increasingly shifts from east to west in the next decade, two bank reports said Thursday.

An analysis by TD Bank also projects the resource-rich western provinces will grow faster than the national average over the next 10 years while Quebec and Atlantic Canada will expand much more slowly.

The TD projection, which looks at the years 2016-2021, is an attempt to paint a picture of Canada as it will appear in about a decade, once the after-effects of the recent recession have dissipated.

Pushing forward current trends, TD economists said they see the gravitation of economic power to Alberta and Saskatchewan continuing and picking up steam, along with the pull in migration as immigrants and Canadians are lured West by the availability of jobs.

This will have the effect of reversing what has been a gradual "convergence" of standards of living between 'have' and have-not regions.

"In Canada, we have seen evidence of economic convergence, but in recent years it has stalled and we

may even see some of the progress reversed in the next decade," said Derek Burleton, deputy chief economist with TD and a co-author of the report.

That will have implications for income disparities, government revenues, and spending pressures on social services, he said.

In another report, a Royal Bank study concluded that fewer than a third of Canadians — about 32 per cent — are positive about the short-term outlook for the economy.

That's down 11 percentage points from January 2011 and nearly half the number — 56 per cent — who said so in January 2010.

"We're becoming more concerned about employment prospects in Canada," said Craig Wright, the Royal's chief economist.

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## East vs. West

► In its report, TD projects oil-rich Alberta will lead average growth at 2.5 per cent in the 2016-2021 period, followed by Saskatchewan at 2.3 per cent.

► In recent years, Ontario has drifted from a 'have' province to have-not status as the manufacturing base shrinks.

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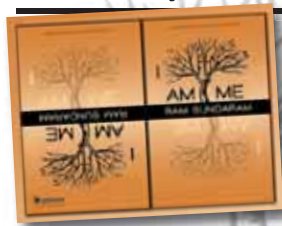
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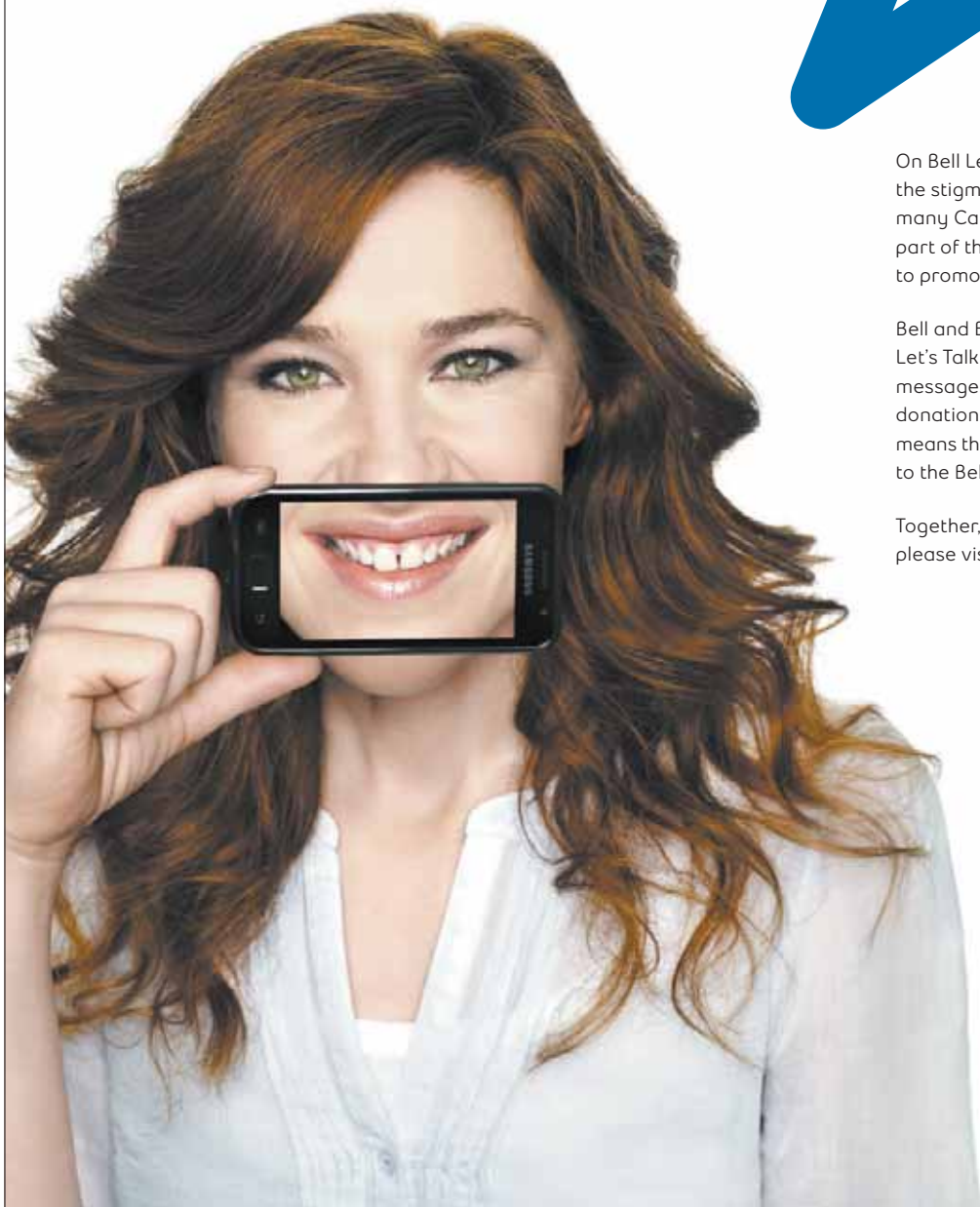
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# Greece deal may not meet terms: Germany

► EU officials say even with debt forgiveness and planned austerity measures, a gap of about 15 billion euro remains to reach bailout targets

Not long after Greece made the politically unpopular decision to slash government spending to ease its debt crisis, Germany's finance minister questioned whether the deal goes far enough to earn approval of a crucial 130 billion euro (\$173 billion) bailout.

Greece's new austerity plan would make deep cuts to jobs and wages and it ignited fresh criticism from unions and the country's labour minister, who resigned in protest. Finance ministers from the 17 countries that use the euro are meeting in Brussels to scrutinize the plan.

Greek prime minister Lucas Papademos earlier Thursday said that all major party leaders in the country's coalition government had given their backing to a new round of painful spending cuts he had worked out with the European Union, the European Central Bank and the International Monetary Fund and that the talks "were successfully concluded."

However, Germany's Finance Minister Wolfgang Schäuble warned Thurs-

day that the new round of spending cuts appears to not yet fulfil all the conditions for the bailout.

Germany is a leading force in the group of 17 countries that use the euro as their currency — the so-called "eurozone" — using its considerable economic clout to influence decision-

making and policy.

When eurozone leaders tentatively agreed on a second bailout for Greece in October, they set several key parameters that would have to be met for country to get more aid.

"Those general requirements are not fulfilled yet," Schäuble said, adding that

no decision on the new bailout was expected at Thursday's meeting.

In addition to the new austerity measures, another method to reach the October targets is a deal with banks and other private bondholders to forgive Greece 100 billion euro in debt. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



► A pedestrian leaves the Zappeio conference hall in Athens on Thursday.



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## Housing index up in December: StatsCan

Statistics Canada says its new housing price index rose 0.1 per cent in December, after a 0.3 per cent increase in November.

The agency says higher prices in Toronto, Oshawa and Montreal were the main contributors to the December increase.

It says good market conditions and higher land values pushed prices up by 0.4 per cent in Toronto and Oshawa, while a good market in Montreal produced a 0.3 per cent increase.

Prices were lower in Vancouver and Hamilton and were unchanged in 12 of the 21 metropolitan regions surveyed.

Toronto and Oshawa again recorded the highest year-over-year increases.

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► Heather Mills

## Messages from McCartney hacked: Mills

She squared off against former Beatle Paul McCartney in divorce court; on Thursday, Heather Mills took on Piers Morgan at Britain's media ethics inquiry.

The ex-model trashed Morgan's earlier testimony, saying that one of her private voicemails, which was played to the CNN interviewer and former tabloid editor, could have been obtained only through phone hacking.

Mills spoke under oath at Lord Justice Brian Leveson's inquiry into the practices of Britain's scandal-hit press, and said two dozen messages left for her by the former Beatle were intercepted by a journalist working for British newspaper group Trinity Mirror.

She said the incident happened after she and McCartney had a fight in January 2001, when McCartney, then her boyfriend, bom-

barded her with phone calls.

"There were about 25 messages, all asking for forgiveness, (asking:) 'Would I come back?'" Mills said. "One of them said: 'Please forgive me,' and he sang a little ditty of one of his songs into the voicemail."

She said she found it strange that the messages were listed as having been listened to even before she had accessed them, but

said she didn't realize what had happened until the Mirror journalist — unnamed for legal reasons — called her up and confronted her with details of the battle.

The messages left for Mills by McCartney are at the centre of the allegations against CNN star interviewer Piers Morgan, who was editor of the Daily Mirror tabloid at the time.

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## ISPs are not broadcasters: Supreme Court

The Supreme Court of Canada has dismissed an appeal that sought to label Internet service providers as broadcasters.

The court sided unanimously with a Federal Court of Appeal ruling which said the service providers are not subject to the Broadcasting Act.

The justices said these companies are simply providing access to the Internet and aren't involved in creating or choosing content that people see online.

If, however, ISPs stopped being neutral transmitters of information and began selecting what was sent, they could risk falling under broadcasting regulations.

The CRTC referred the question to the courts in 2008.

Groups representing content creators had argued that ISPs should be required to contribute to Canadian broadcasting just as cable and satellite companies do. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



# BORROWING A LINE FROM BOB MARLEY

## THE METRO LIST

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**1 Hosers in heaps:** Canada's population is the fastest-growing of all G8 nations. Census 2011 revealed a growth of two million over the last five years.

The fastest-growing region is the West, which means, I guess, we have to brace ourselves for a lot more country music.

**2 Off The Record:** Michael Landsberg's poignant documentary about depression aired on CTV this week. Darkness and Hope includes confessions from successful athletes who dispel the myths relating the illness to weakness or failure. Ironically, it depressed me a little, but I applaud all involved for the courage to bear their souls for the benefit of millions. Thanks, Michael.

**3 Time out:** For those contemplating a warm-weather getaway, one of the most popular new hot spots seems to be Panama City. Least popular? Damascus.

**4 And speaking of Damascus:** Vladimir Putin, the "hall monitor" of the Middle East, warned against outside forces meddling in Syria's affairs. He says, "We must not behave like a bull in a china shop." He's right. Especially when the bull that's already in there has broken most of the china himself.

**5 Seeing is believing:** Season 2 of The Voice premiered this week. It differs from other starfinder shows because judges choose without seeing contestants. There is nothing like the looks on their faces when they discover that they passed on someone beautiful or, worse, that they chose someone who looks like a female Perez Hilton.

**6 One Love:** Had he not left us too soon, this week would have been Bob Marley's 67th birthday. Thousands took Monday off to celebrate, but returned to work the next day unable to elaborate.

**7 Toughness test:** Raptors star Andrea Bargnani will get paid \$9 million this year in salary alone, but has missed 20 per cent of an already shortened season due to a strained calf. I know a guy who lost a testicle and got just one day off. To be fair, though, he sucks at basketball.

**8 Freudian slip:** True story: 15 years ago, at a Blur concert in London, two of the Spice Girls, Ginger and Sporty, joined the band onstage for a set, only to be thrown off by security guards who didn't know who they were. Fortunately, the girls had learned how to break a fall earlier in their career after several incidents of being "accidentally" thrown off stage.

**9 Valentine's Day:** This year, forget the dying plants and offer up some soul. Poetry is the potion, but if your repertoire is limited, simply choose some poignant song lyrics. This year, I'm going with LMEAO's "I got passion in my pants and I ain't afraid to show it.... I'm sexy and I know it." Hey — high risk, high reward.

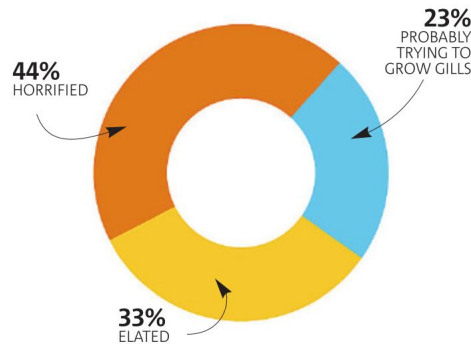
**10 And the award goes to:** Juno nominations were revealed this week and include Grammy nominees Bieber, Feist, Drake and Arcade Fire, as well as a bevy of future stars. To my American friends I say, "You're welcome."

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### Local tweets



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- ▶ @FlameFan\_1971: Since I don't have health care, I'm going to the #yyc airport to get my free prostate exam.
- ▶ @wndxlori: pandas, Pandas, PANDAS! #yyc
- ▶ @RobChambers: #YYC weather changes make my head feel like its being run over by a car. #ouch
- ▶ @commodorelive0: It's funny, no matter where I travel I always end up missing
- ▶ #yyc #homesweethome @pchornenky: It's funny that a chip in a car windshield is a big deal here in Ontario. No chip in the windshield identified it as a new car in #yyc
- ▶ @CamilleAshton: Omg Harry Potter! RT @CTVCalgary: A wave of snowy owls has descended on southern #Alberta #yyc <http://t.co/Uj326H1m>
- ▶ @CraigCoolahan: Blatant elec budget. Happy for AISH recips, but why'd it take so long? Wealthy ABs cont to laugh all way to bank. U R welcome. #yyc #abpoli

### Daily Zoom

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### Missing winter? Visit an igloo

Guests of the igloo lodge enjoy drinks near the Nebelhorn mountain in Oberstdorf, southern Germany, on Wednesday.

A village of 10 igloos hosts up to 30 guests in the winter months and supplies them with warm blankets and sleeping bags, so that they can spend the night there.

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### Close to home

You can check out Hôtel de Glace, which is located just outside of Quebec City.

▶ This ice hotel offers themed suites and features a Nordic relaxation area with outdoor spas and saunas.

▶ This season it is only available until March 25.

▶ A guest arrives at the igloo lodge in Oberstdorf, southern Germany.





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## Synopsis

Ryan Reynolds plays Matt Weston, a rookie CIA agent stationed at an underused safe house in Cape Town, South Africa. When agents bring in Tobin Frost (Denzel Washington), an ex-agent wanted for espionage, Weston is thrust into a wild escape plan, high level intrigue and must learn who to trust. Metro movie reviewer Steve Gow opines in place of Mark Breslin this week.

## Ratings:

Richard: ●●●●

Steve: ●●●●



► Safe House's doomed romantic subplot featuring Ryan Reynolds slows down the action of this visceral film.

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## Scene in brief



Producers say Naomi Watts will play Princess Diana in a film about the last years of the royal's life. Britain's Ecosse Films says Caught in Flight will focus on the two years before Diana's death in a Paris car crash in August 1997. It is directed by Oliver Hirschbiegel, best known for his film about Hitler's last days, Downfall.

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## Reel Guys

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# 'Safe' bet for action

► Richard Crouse and Steve Gow agree Safe House is pure visceral fun  
► Poor Ryan Reynolds is chewed up by the acting chops of Denzel Washington

**Richard:** Steve, for most of the running time, Safe House is a pretty exciting action movie. Things blow up, Denzel is a cool bad guy, but when the movie slows down to try and provide some back story it kind of lost me. What did you think?

**Steve:** Richard, I agree. Although the film begins with some fairly intense action, for the most part newcomer director Daniel Espinosa has crafted a pretty ordinary thriller. It's got an overabundance of car chases, foot chases and frenetic over-the-top fight scenes that, inasmuch as

they seem stolen out of the Bourne series, wears thin pretty quick. Still, that Denzel can steal a scene, can't he?

**RC:** He sure can, much to the detriment of his costar Ryan Reynolds. Denzel wipes the floor with Reynolds. The tension of the movie comes from Washington. He's a leading man who isn't afraid to explore the evil nature of his characters, and unlike other A-listers like Tom Cruise or Will Smith, who have it written in their contracts that they must be the hero, Washington adds in a heap of moral

ambiguity, which keeps things interesting.

**SG:** Absolutely. Unlike the doomed romantic sub-plot between Ryan Reynolds and a Parisian blonde. I get that Espinosa is trying to add character dimension but it just ends up unnecessary and slows the rest of the film. Besides, Safe House is about visceral action first and foremost and it does deliver there. Almost unrelentingly.

**RC:** Too bad Green Lantern didn't have action half as good as Safe House. Then there might have been a sequel and we'd all be talking

about Reynolds in his green tights instead of how here he is mainly a pile of clichés who barely registers when placed next to the more complex Washington character.

**SG:** Well, don't expect any sequels here either. In fact, for a story that was touted as one of the best unproduced scripts in Hollywood before it was snapped up, it doesn't push the crooked CIA story any further than we've seen before. Still, Denzel is clearly enjoying himself and I expect most audiences will vicariously join him for the ride.



Filmmaker Lynne Ramsay didn't give up on We Need to Talk About Kevin

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# McG's 'war' of words

► **Read on to learn what he thinks about homoerotic endings and the MPAA's rules on sex**

le promoting his new film *This Means War*

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Director McG — previously of the *Charlie's Angels* movies and *Terminator: Salvation* — has never shied away from big talk. And it's a quality he brought with him while promoting his latest, *This Means War*, an action movie/romantic-comedy hybrid about two CIA agents (Tom Hardy and Chris Pine) battling it out over the same girl (Reese Witherspoon). Here's a look at some of his more eyebrow-raising statements about his film.

On toning down the film for a PG-13 rating:

"It's funny because it's the prudish, uptight MPAA that's fine with the violent components, but anything that has to do with sexuality — like I had to open up my vein and bleed. But 'You need to be a bigger liar because your boyfriend's penis is so big that he's getting a penile reduction and every time it lands in my urethra it's like a poltergeist' — who thinks that way? [Cast member] Chelsea [Handler] is out of her f---ing mind and that's why we love her. The MPAA was trying to take out all that stuff. We got it back in, but we got to take out a



► The cast of *This Means War* poses with director McG at the film's premiere last week in London.



► McG

few things. But we retained the authentic comedic stylings of Chelsea Handler."

On a lack of diversity in *This Means War*:

"Listen, that's a huge concern for me, you know? And I can answer that in good faith because I put Lucy Liu in *Charlie's Angels*. I don't like lily-white movies with lily-white people bouncing around, but you also just got to do what you got to do. In the spirit of the Benetton ad rainbow coalition, you know, the most empowered character in the film is indeed a black woman [referring to Angela Bassett's CIA boss]. I enjoy that the most powerful person in Hollywood is indeed a black woman —

Oprah Winfrey. I love ethnic diversity all over the place, but I'm hoping to just transcend beyond that."

On online dating:

"The least you can say is, 'Hey, I'm really into going to bed at 9 o'clock and I like zebras and, you know, role playing.' And then you can get after it in that regard and you can narrow it down to some degree."

On leading lady Reese Witherspoon:

"She's fearless. She's given birth twice, she can do anything."

On finding the right ending for the movie:

"We wanted to have flexibility. We even talked about having two endings and releasing it — if it were on 3,000 screens, 1,500 would have this one, and 1,500 would have that one — and just not say anything."

"There's even an ending where the two boys end up in each other's arms. A homoerotic finish. I pushed out on the ending of *Terminator 4*. I should have gone with the dark ending for that one, so maybe I'll do the dark ending with this one."

**Tom Hardy**

**messes with us**

► While he's made a name for himself with more serious performances in the likes of *Bronson*, *Warrior* and *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*, let it be known that Tom Hardy has a wicked sense of humour. In fact, he sometimes has trouble answering questions seriously. When asked about the advent of online dating — a key plot point in *This Means War*, Hardy veers off into an anti-Internet polemic, keeping a straight face the whole time. "I think it's abhorrent, I think the whole thing is abhorrent," he says. "I think online dating is a way of procuring people, you know what I mean? Like Facebook, Myspace. It's a way that people connect out. And procure small children and sometimes you know, dodgy relationships. I don't think it's very healthy. Online dating is cool, but I think Facebook and Myspace is a little off-ky."

► So how does Hardy keep in touch with his own friends? "I don't have any friends," he says, still not cracking. "I like to keep to myself. I have a dog and a son. A dog couldn't do anything to upset me, you know, and neither could my son."

► And as for the film itself, which director McG describes as "impossible to put into a box" because of its mix of action and romantic comedy genres? "I agree with that totally," Hardy says. "But I'm worried about the DVD release now. If we can't fit it in a box, we're f---ed."

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**The Vow**
**Genre:** Drama

**Director:** Michael Sucsy

**Stars:** Rachel McAdams, Channing Tatum, Sam Neill

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A serious question: If you awoke in a hospital bed with no memory of how you got there — or your life for the last several years — and were told that you were married to Channing Tatum, would you freak out? Or would you just high-five the nurse?

The reaction of Paige (Rachel McAdams) when faced with that decision in The Vow is not so celebratory, unfortunately. The movie takes its time getting anywhere, meandering for long stretches in the awkwardness of Paige trying to readjust to a life she doesn't remember. Points to director Michael Sucsy for resisting temptations to veer into Hollywood romantic territory, as he instead keeps close to reality. **● NED EHRBAR**


**Coriolanus**
**Genre:** Drama

**Director:** Ralph Fiennes

**Stars:** Ralph Fiennes, Gerard Butler, Brian Cox

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**Genre:** Action/Comedy

**Director:** Brad Peyton

**Stars:** Dwayne Johnson, Michael Caine

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A follow-up to 2008's Journey to the Centre of the Earth, Journey 2

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Formulaic and full of familiar characters, this harmless family fare

draws on youthful adventure but Dwayne Johnson's annoying pec-popping and deft skills on ukulele still won't keep the sinking Mysterious Island afloat for discerning moviegoers.

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# He's no longer 'Edgar Who?'

► The Wrath of the Titans star on how an opportunity passed by marked the start of a successful career



Karl Lagerfeld thinks Edgar Ramirez sits on the cusp of major stardom, and with a high-profile role in March's *Wrath of the Titans*, it's easy to see why.

The two bonded after Lagerfeld photographed the Venezuelan actor in a series of sessions. Lagerfeld later discovered and enjoyed his films. But Ramirez admits he never even intended to act.

In fact, it took the success of *Amores Perros*, a film written by his friend Guillermo Arriaga, to nudge him into movies — Ramirez had passed up an opportunity to star in the film in order to focus on his studies.

After holding his own alongside Matt Damon in *The Bourne Ultimatum*, generating online buzz over a rumored *Star Trek 2* role, and nabbing a Most Promising Actor César Award in France for Carlos, Ramirez has earned more than enough one-to-watch points to push him into leading man territory. He talks about them all.

#### On not doing *Amores Perros* 10 years ago

"Once I realized that this was the movie my friend had offered me the possibility to be in, I realized that it was worth it to give acting a shot. It just



► Edgar Ramirez plays Ares, the traitorous son of Zeus, in *The Wrath of the Titans*.

wasn't a priority at the time.

"I didn't foresee it. My life was supposed to go somewhere else. I was preparing to be a political journalist or a diplomat, a member of an international organization. That

was pretty much the arena where I was heading to.

But actually, not being in [*Amores Perros*] was the trigger for me to follow the other interests in my life — the interests for performing arts and

movies. So it was a pivotal revelation for me."

#### On his sci-fi leanings

"It's very interesting to go from one type of moviemaking to another. *Wrath of the Titans* was a completely different ex-

perience for me.

The characters that I've played so far, they have inhabited a naturalistic, realistic world.

So for me, it was very interesting to explore this sort of fantasy. Fantasy, mythology and special ef-

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fects — a world of imagination, of what the Greek myths could have been. It's about what can be interesting, what can be touching, and then going for it."

#### On Karl

"There's this expression in Spanish, I don't know if it translates in English. It says that the deeper the river is, the less noise it makes.

"Karl's a very warm person and he doesn't have anything to prove, so he's approachable, very accessible, very open, very curious, you know? [The first time he photographed me] he made me feel very welcome and comfortable.

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I mean, I think that for me the experience to work with him transcends fashion."

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# The River: You'll need a nightlight

► Crew of a research vessel search for a missing TV explorer in the Amazon ► The River airs Tuesdays on CTV



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A good scare is a hard thing to come by on a primetime television series, which tend to steer clear of horror outside of dead bodies on a cop show. But when *Paranormal Activity* mastermind Oren Peli is at the helm, fear becomes the central plot.

The terror auteur makes his television debut with *The River*, a paranormal thriller that chronicles the search for nature show host Dr. Emmet Cole (Bruce Greenwood), who has disappeared in the Amazon.

The rescue operation is spearheaded by Cole's former co-stars — his wife (Leslie Hope) and son (Joe Anderson), who assemble a team that includes a film crew documenting the expedition.

But the hunt for clues quickly leads to unexpected, unearthly finds — like angry spirits and terrify

## Always on

**How does using "found" footage to tell a story change an actor's method? Well, for one, there's no downtime.**

► **All about your game face:** "Because there are multiple cameras and those cameras can swing anywhere at any time, you have to be on your game 110 per cent as op-

posed to 100 per cent of the time," says star Joe Anderson, who plays Dr. Emmet Cole's son, Lincoln. "You never know when you're going to be filmed. There's sometimes a little window that you know the camera is going to pass over you and you have to give something specific within that window. It's freeing and challenging at the same time."

ingly evil baby dolls.

"We were all on the same page that the way we want to create the scares is not with gory images or anything that's overly visual," says Peli.

The "we" he refers to includes producing partner Steven Spielberg, who convinced him to turn *The River* into a TV series rather than a film.

"We want to create the kind of anxiety and tension that allows the audience to use their own

imagination to fill in the blanks and kind of create their own worst-case nightmare scenario."

The effect is artfully achieved by using "found" footage from the search party's documentary crew as part of the series' cinematography.

Showrunner Zack Estrin finds the tactic so crucial to the heart of the show that he refers to it as "the use of the camera as a character."

"When you're watching



► A scene from *The River*

the show, you aren't just, you know, seeing people react," Estrin says.

"You're actually having

the filmmakers themselves react because those camera guys are getting scared just the same as

everybody else, and I think it has a much bigger impression on the audience."

## TV picks



## Deschanel is set to hit SNL

**KARMIN TO PERFORM.** New Girl star Zooey Deschanel gets her first crack at hosting Saturday Night Live.

She's joined by musical guest Karmin, a duo who became popular online performing covers. (Global)

## So you think you can act?

**WAY OFF BROADWAY.** Amateur community theatre enthusiasts get a chance to live out their dreams on Friday in the Canadian reality show *Way Off Broadway*. The makeshift cast has just eight weeks to practise before performing *The Wiz-*

*ard of Oz* in front of an audience of 1,100 people. (Bravo)

## Fear Factor ups the ante

**BEE WARY.** Fear Factor has already nixed one episode for crossing the line of good taste, so you know they're pushing the boundaries this season. This Sunday, contestants perform

death-defying stunts and take on angry swarms of bees. (NBC)

## Glued to the ice

**SATURDAY.** Hockey fans have all day to celebrate the sport Saturday with CBC's annual Hockey Day in Canada. The network is focusing on Prince Edward Island but will use 13 live locations across the country.

## Looking into lawn care

**MARKETPLACE.** CBC's consumer affairs show Marketplace turns its attention outdoors in this Friday's episode. Host Tom Harrington looks into complaints from consumers who dealt with Canada's leading lawn care company (CBC). **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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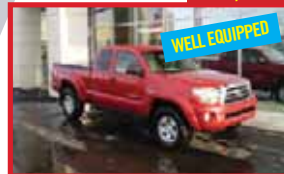
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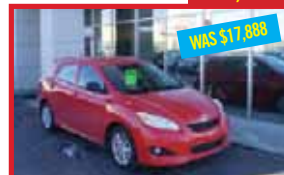
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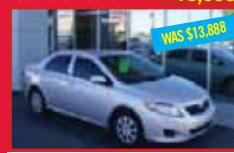
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# The lady and the Tramp

▶ Sharon Van Etten brings in a wealth of talent for her new album



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Although the credits on Sharon Van Etten's new album read like the roster of an indie rock all-star game, at its heart, Tramp sounds exactly the way a Sharon Van Etten album should sound. Aaron Dressner of The National produced it; Matt Barrick of The Walkmen does most of the drumming; Zach Conden of Beirut, Jenn Wasner of Wye Oak and Julianna Barwick all provide integral vocal parts. While these contributors add their distinct imprints, they decorate rather than overshadow Van Etten's trademark combo of wistful words and hopeful melodies.

"Nobody wants to work on a record to hear themselves," says the singer. "I called on my friends because of their strengths, and we were very conscientious of not wanting to feature people that had a



▶ Sharon Van Etten

name. It was very much like, 'This is one of my favourite singers' and 'This is one of the best drummers.'

Van Etten says the key to working with friends is balancing her own vision with her friends' input. In one instance Wasner envisioned her singing part as grunts and growls.

"I was like, 'Hmmm,' because in my mind that was not what I was hearing," Van Etten laughs. "But I trusted her so much, and it made so much sense when she was doing it."

# THE ROLE OF CAMPUS RADIO

## SOUND CHECK



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It's important to preserve this vital part of our cultural ecosystem

Last weekend, I was asked to be a guest on CKUW, the campus station at the University of Winnipeg, the place I got my start in radio back in 1980. It was chaotic place with barely serviceable equipment and a closed-circuit broadcast radius that encompassed one hallway and one cafeteria.

The potential audience ranged from several hundred to zero, not counting the times when the speakers in the cafeteria were vandalized because someone didn't like the music that was being played.

My shift was from 8:30-9:30 Friday mornings, assuring me of a maximum audience of about twelve. But despite the station's shortcomings and inadequacies, CKUW is where I first got to speak into a



▶ Campus radio stations are free to explore the fringes of music.

mic, cued up a record and got to mix music. It provided just enough experience for me to land my first-ever job at a real commercial radio station.

While in Winnipeg last week, I was asked to participate in CKUW's annual fundraising drive. I hadn't been back since 1983, so I was curious to see how things had changed.

The station now has an over-the-air license, broadcasting at 95.9 FM and runs 24-7. The studios are out of the basement and have a on-air studio, a production studio and a room where bands can set up and perform.

Sheldon, the interviewer, asked, "Can you talk about the importance of campus and community

While the presentation may sometimes be amateurish, the content and intent is terribly important.

radio today?" Here's what I told him.

At a time when commercial radio stations are tightening their playlist and sticking with familiar big hits to preserve precious ratings, campus stations have become even more important to the cultural ecosystem. Without having to rely on ratings for revenue, these stations are free to explore the fringes of music, culture and opinion.

While the presentation

may sometimes be amateurish, the content and intent is terribly important. Want to hear the widest variety of new and cool indie music from a bunch of different genres? Ideas and opinions not found in the mainstream media? Want to really dig into the cultural fabric of your city? The answer in each case is campus and community radio.

Keep this in mind when CKUW and other stations of its kind ask for your support. Write them a cheque. And be generous. You're preserving a vital part of the Canadian cultural ecosystem.

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# Kill-er problem with duo bands

► Jamie Hince talks about fears, his hate of labels like garage rock and the hurdles you run into with The Kills

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Jamie Hince may be married to a supermodel, but he finds a roomful of screaming fans way more intimidating.

The British guitarist (and husband to Kate Moss) has been half of The Kills for the last decade, but he confesses that he still gets the jitters before every show. But he has a theory on that.

"I think it's easier when you're in a band of four or five people if you're the bass player and your bass goes wrong, the band carries on," Hince explains.

"But with The Kills, if the guitar stops, the music stops. You've taken a proper tumble."



► Jamie Hince, left and guitarist/singer Alison Mosshart of The Kills perform onstage in New York.

But being part of such a small group has its benefits. When reflecting back on the four Kills albums he's made with bandmate Alison Mosshart, Hince notes that the simplicity allowed for a lot of experimentation, especially on their early albums.

"When you're working in a two-piece, you tend to be fascinated by what you can do by leaving things out," he says.

"So the first couple of records were really experimenting with that, and then I upgraded and bought MPC 60 drum ma-

chine that kind of kicked open the door to hip-hop, and I just went crazy on that and spent hours and hours striking my drums and really getting into it."

Given all the time to reflect on his band's evolution with a series of anniversary shows, Hince

## Album

### New album in the offing

► **Album** Last year's *Blood Pressures* garnered much critical praise, and the band is planning to head into the studio to begin recording a new album due out late 2012 or early 2013.

admits that their controversial start — in which they shunned most interviews and flouted rules about say, smoking onstage — is a far cry from where they are now as a band.

Out of the shadow of the mighty White Stripes, whom they were so often compared to, The Kills can savour their own clearly

defined identity.

Just don't call it garage rock, please.

"It kind of got pigeonholed into that sort of new wave, whatever it was, garage rock, whatever, which I always laughed at because we only had like a \$40 drum machine that we used, and you know it was so far from garage rock," Hince says of their first album, *Keep on Your Mean Side*.

"I know we definitely had some sort of paranoia," he says about the band's approach to the media.

"We sort of relaxed the reins a bit, really. I'm kind of happy to talk about my band now. I feel kind of confident, really. It's not like it's going to be taken and turned into something else."

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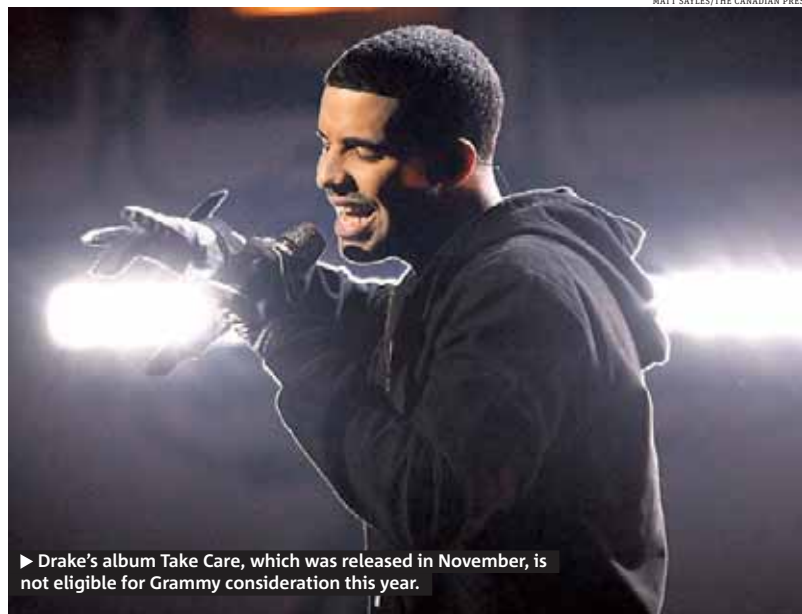


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► Drake's album *Take Care*, which was released in November, is not eligible for Grammy consideration this year.

## Thank me later

► Grammy nominations don't reflect big year for Canadians

This past year was one of the best in recent memory for chart-storming Canadian artists, yet you wouldn't know it tuning in to this weekend's Grammy Awards.

But there's no need to raise those patriotic pitchforks. While there was a point in December in which four of the top five slots on the U.S. Billboard charts were occupied by Canadian artists, most of music's Grammy-worthy Canucks were simply fashionably late in 2011.

The eligibility period for this year's awards — to be broadcast Sunday from L.A.'s Staples Center on Global and CBS — ran from Sept. 1, 2010 to Sept. 30, 2011.

Chief among the Grammy shoo-ins who didn't make the cut? Drake, whose innovative slow burn sophomore record *Take Care* topped critics' polls, earning praise for its flickering, ennui-steeped R&B/hip-hop hybrid. The album opened at No. 1 in the U.S. en route to platinum sales.

The fact that the 25-year-old from Toronto reeled in three nominations anyway — for collaborations with Nicki Minaj, Rihanna and DJ Khaled — suggests that the Recording Academy really, really likes him. But when it comes to *Take*

### The Adele factor

► It might not be a bad thing that the Canucks will mostly be on the outside looking in this year.

► At least this way they don't have to compete with Adele.

► The British crooner with the almighty pipes is expected to win pretty much everything in sight on Grammy night. It's not just that her anguished sophomore record, 21, sold more copies than Kinko's in a year-long residency near the top of the charts.

► But Adele also would seem to occupy the Grammy voter sweet spot. She's young enough that the hip set can hum any of her ubiquitous melodies, but has a retro neo-soul style and handsomely understated production that appeals to older voters.

Care, he'll have to wait for the Grammys to thank him later.

Michael Bublé has a similarly solid track record with the Grammys, having won three trophies over the years.

But while his charmingly retro holiday disc *Christmas* filled more stockings than the Rockettes last year, it came out in October and just missed Grammy

consideration.

While it's tough to tell whether 17-year-old teen-pop sensation Justin Bieber would have been nominated for his own feather-weight holiday collection, *Under the Mistletoe* (the Stratford, Ont., native is a two-time nominee, after all), he also missed the eligibility period by a little over a month.

Diffo divisive hard-rockers Nickelback. Say what you will about the midtempo, midbrow sludgeslingers, they've been nominated for six Grammys in the past. But *Here and Now* came out in November, when it was "Here and Late" in Grammy terms.

And Feist's *Metals* was the closest of all, hitting stores on Oct. 4 in the U.S. and Canada. While the contemplative disc lacks the immediate pop splendour of predecessor *The Reminder* — which earned the Toronto-based songwriter four Grammy nominations in 2008 — the record was praised widely for its inventive instrumentation and sturdy song craft.

But like many of her high-profile compatriots, Feist will just have to wait until next year to find out if *Metals* is worthy of Grammy attention.

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# Nothing but the beat

► Grammy Awards set to feature first dance music segment with Deadmau5, Brown, Guetta and others

Grammy show producer Ken Ehrlich had considered putting dancing/electronic music into the ceremony in the past, but could never quite figure out how to incorporate the high-energy club feel in front of a sometimes staid audience.

He thinks he's figured it out this year. For the first time, the Grammy show will put the spotlight on the genre with a segment featuring Grammy nominees Deadmau5, the Foo Fighters, Chris Brown, David Guetta and Lil Wayne, all performing in a tent space amid 1,000 fans.

"We decided to go all out this year," Ehrlich said of the performance taking place outside the Staples Center in Los Angeles, where Sunday's ceremony will be held. "All we're going to try and do next week is to try and put the home audience in the middle of it ... It is more than just sitting there and watching it."

Dance music did not receive its own category until 2003 with the best dance recording/dance field, and the music had not been featured with its own segment in the show.



► David Guetta

**"As much as a recorded medium that it is, and the fact that it's selling a lot of CDs and downloads, it's really a live experience."** GRAMMY SHOW PRODUCER KEN EHRLICH ON DANCE

"I don't know that I figured out a way to do it that felt right until now," Ehrlich said in an interview Monday. "My feeling about dance is it's such an immersive experience for the participant, that to put it on stage ... where the audience is not a part of it ... I don't know, honestly, until we came up with the idea of doing it this way, I don't know if it ever would have worked."

Ehrlich calls the per-

formance the "most ambitious number that we've ever done outside the Staples Center."

It will feature at least four cameras from audience level as Deadmau5 (pronounced dead mouse) and the Foo Fighters perform his remixed version of the band's song Rope, which netted him one of his Grammy nominations, and as Brown and Lil Wayne perform with Guetta. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## All eyes on Chris Brown



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Three years ago, Chris Brown physically assaulted his then girlfriend, pop star Rihanna, the night before the Grammy Awards.

This Sunday will be the first time since the traumatic incident that both singers attend and perform at the event. Things between them have more than cooled down since (they follow each other on Twitter and feed rumours about their possible reconciliation via cryptic tweets) but what happened is far from forgotten.

Although the restraining order requiring him to stay 50 yards from the singer (10 at industry events) has been lifted, he is still under a



► Rihanna and Chris Brown when they were a couple.

five-year probation for the violent attack that left Rihanna bruised and bloodied.

It's no wonder that all eyes will be fixed on Brown's every move this weekend. We ask anger management expert Shan-non Munford what to expect on the night.

**How should Brown behave to hush the critics?**

"The press knows that they can pull the trigger and expect a reaction from him so the best he can do on the

night is his job, and that is to be an entertainer. It's an emotional part of his life and he's so high strung about the incident that it's obviously still an issue for him. He needs to be present and perform.

**Rihanna seems to be the most forgiving of the incident. Is this healthy?**

"She will never be able to forget what happened but she has to forgive him or she will carry this burden within her on to future relationships. He also needs to forgive himself, which he doesn't seem to have done yet."

**How should Rihanna behave?**

"If they have a relationship they should be honest about the fact she has moved on and she shouldn't ignore him."

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# Let's wave goodbye to the blond weave

► The human Barbie doll look needs to go, says Metro's Dorothy Robinson

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Well, that's it. By appearing at an amfAR gala on Wednesday night in New York City with this rug on her head, Lindsay Lohan has officially killed the blond, wavy, weave look. But is that such a bad thing? The blond weave has had a good run. (How good did 52-year-old Madonna look with one while performing at Sunday night's Super Bowl?) But the look — it's getting a bit tired, no? Like, we get it: You're a human Barbie doll. Good for you.



► Lindsay Lohan

## It's officially over for Katy and Russell

Well, that was fast. Katy Perry has signed Russell Brand's divorce settlement, reaching an agreement to end their 14-month marriage, according to TMZ. "The parties have entered into a comprehensive

written settlement of all issues, including, without limitation, with respect to the property to be confirmed or assigned to each party," the document reads, outlining that Brand isn't after any of Perry's money.

The former couple insisted their split was amicable, and that's certainly the case if Perry's signature is any indication: She signed the divorce settlement with a little smiley face next to her name. ● METRO

## Celebrity tweets



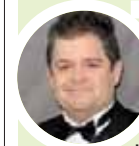
Tonight, I'm staying in and proving to myself that I really will watch just about anything on tv.



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House lovers, it's the end of an era. Shows like that don't happen, well, ever. I'm honored to have been a part of such a brilliant story.



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Three days after I was born, The Beatles played their last concert (1/30/69). My bad.



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Huge congratulations to The Daily Star for making up an interview with me today.

## Courteney Cox can't get a date

Courteney Cox hasn't been having much luck in the romance department since her split from husband David Arquette, she admits in an interview with Howard Stern.

"No guy's asked me out. I'm not saying I'm not ready to have a make-out ses-

sion, but it just makes me nervous. I don't like to go out in general," she says.

"I have sexual feelings, and there's ways to deal with that."

But Cox admits that dating needs to make its way to the top of her agenda: "It's time for me to get out there. It's not easy to meet people. They don't call me," she explains. ● METRO



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Canadian student chef of the S. Pellegrino Almost Famous Chef Competition, will surely win over your lover for Valentine's Day!

With two tenderloins, enjoy one and bring one for lunch to let your co-workers know who loves you!

### Filet of Veal Stuffed with Wild Mushrooms, served with Butternut Squash and Roasted Hazelnut Purée Preparation:

- 1 Butternut Squash Purée: Bring squash to boil in salted water 20 mins. or

until very soft. Drain well and return to pot. Using potato masher, mash well with butter, salt and pepper. Stir in hazelnuts. Set aside and keep warm.

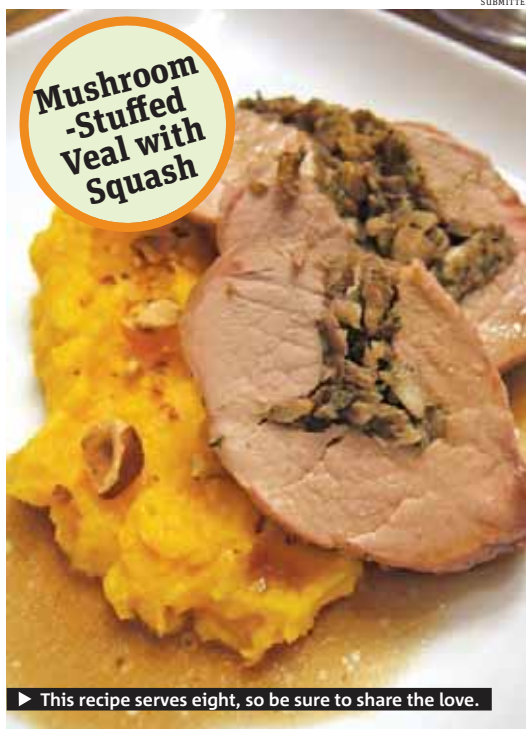
- 2 In skillet, melt 1/4 cup (60 mL) of butter over medium high heat; cook mushrooms, shallots, thyme and garlic, stirring occasionally 15 mins. or until liquid has evaporated. Set aside and let cool.

- 3 Using chef's knife, make incision in centre of tenderloin across middle, not cutting through to the other side. Cut along each side to open more. Stuff with mushroom mix and close. Tie tenderloins with butcher's twine in 2 inch (5 cm) intervals and place seam side down on parchment paper lined baking sheet; sprinkle with half of pepper and

#### Ingredients:

- 2 veal or pork tenderloins
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) butter
- 12 oz (375 g) fresh mixed fresh mushrooms, minced
- 4 shallots, minced
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) chopped fresh thyme leaves
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) black pepper
- Pinch salt

- 2 1/2 cups (625 mL) veal or beef stock
  - 1 cup (250 mL) dried mushrooms (about 1 oz/30 g)
- Butternut Squash and Roasted Hazelnut Purée:**
- 1 1/2 lbs (750 g) peeled and cubed butternut squash
  - 1/2 cup (125 mL) butter
  - Pinch salt and pepper
  - 1/3 cup (75 mL) chopped toasted hazelnuts



Mushroom-Stuffed Veal with Squash

► This recipe serves eight, so be sure to share the love.

salt. Roast in 350 F (180 C) oven 45 mins. or until meat thermometer reaches 150 F (65 C) for medium rare. Rest for before slicing.

- 4 In saucepan combine dried mushrooms and stock and simmer for 10 minutes. Drain through

fine mesh sieve and return stock to saucepan. Whisk in remaining butter and pepper.

- 5 Spread squash in centre of plate and place veal slices alongside. Spoon sauce along meat to serve. **DANIELA MOLETTIERI/ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS**

## Of bubbly love potions

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With Valentine's Day just around the corner, love is in the air and all over the greeting card racks at your local pharmacy.

While I'm sure most of you love birds will launch a pre-emptive passion play and celebrate Feb. 14 this weekend, I like it when the holiday falls on a Tuesday as it does this year.

A weekday Valentine's means I have an excuse to inject a little spice into an otherwise uneventful late winter evening with some colour coordinated liquid.

A bottle of rosé wine has the right dark pink hue, but mixing a glass of dry still or sparkling white wine with a touch of fruit liqueur looks and tastes sexier.

France's Chambord Royale (\$36.75 - \$45.99) is a modern take on a Loire Valley-based liqueur made with black raspberries that dates back to the 17th century. Super ripe, its big blast of berry is softened when a teaspoon is mixed with either style of wine.

If simple mixology doesn't sound that attractive, the Chilean sparkler Fresita (\$12.90 - \$15.99) combines its bubbles with an infusion of hand-

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a little later in the evening.

### Valentine's Day Icewine Sparkler Preparation

- 1 Pour icewine into champagne flute. Top with sparkling riesling and garnish with fresh raspberry if desired.

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#### Ingredients:

- 1 oz Vidal Icewine
- 4 oz Sparkling Riesling

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### Sweet creation



Want to make your own chocolate this Valentine's Day? Alan Kehl, a hobbyist chocolate-maker from Waterloo, Ont., says the following tools are essential for any serious chocolate-maker:

1. A good thermometer.
2. Scales (for weighing ingredients).
3. A slab of marble (it's best to work with chocolate on a smooth, cool surface).
4. A good set of dipping forks (for dipping the pieces of ganache into chocolate).

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# Think outside the chocolate box

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Forget the crammed restaurant with inflated prices. Try something different this Valentine's Day.

"It's a great day to practise what being in a relationship is all about," says Dale Curd, a Toronto-based psychotherapist. Here are some fresh ideas to sample this Feb. 14.

**A "learn together" date.** "Such as a dance lesson. What you're trying to do is excite your partner's mind and appeal to their heart," says Curd. "And it's not

what just one person wants to do. It's something that has you both leaning beyond your edge, as in 'Ooh, I don't know

if I could do that.'" Some things to try? Hitting a roller rink together or taking a cooking class. (Have no romantic

partner on the horizon? Couple up with a friend or a few pals for a girls or guys night out.)

**Surprise your partner with a gift that anticipates their needs — maybe your girlfriend lives off of frozen meals.** "Order a meal service for a week for her," says Christine Hart, a Toronto-based dating

coach. "So it's something you think your partner is going without right now."

**Try the "high/low" concept.** Instead of the fancy restaurant meal, pick up yummy ingredients at a farmers' market or grocery store to recreate a meal together at home, she adds. If you are dateless on Valentine's, try this with friends or mixed singles — everyone brings an ingredient (or course) to make the meal together.

Rose Elixir Massage Candle, \$19.95, available at La Vie En Rose, [lavienrose.com](http://lavienrose.com).

**Create a new ritual.** Skip the heart-shaped box of chocolates and instead fill a basket with different blends of coffee beans and two new mugs. "Then make a point of getting up earlier each morning — before the kids! — to share some java before starting your day," says Debra Macleod, a relationship counsellor in Red Deer, Alta. "Studies show that couples who enjoy such rituals have longer and happier unions."

**In the mood for something spicier?** Try body sliding. "This is a style of sensual body massage where lovers drench their bare bodies in oil and slide over, under and around each other, sort of an adult slip-and-slide," says Macleod. "Countless studies show that regular, pleasurable sexual intimacy is strongly associated with marital success."

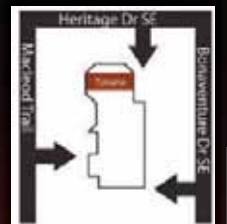


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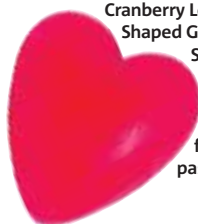
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## Green & Black's Swedish Chocolate Coffee Lamb

### Ingredients:

- 50 g self-rising flour
- ½ tsp mustard powder
- 1 kg very lean lamb (filet or leg), cut into 3cm (1¼ in) cubes
- 75 g unsalted butter
- 3 garlic cloves
- 1 large onion
- 12 shallots
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tbsp Kahlua (coffee liqueur)
- 250 ml strong filter coffee
- 750 ml good quality lamb stock
- 50 g Green & Black's Organic Dark 70%, broken into pieces
- pinch of sea salt

- freshly ground black pepper

### SPICES AND SEASONINGS

- 1 blade mace, crumbled
- 12 cardamom pods, crushed
- 1 vanilla pod, de-seeded
- ½ tsp nutmeg, grated
- 1 star anise
- 3 bay leaves, crumbled

### FOR THE CROUTONS

- 1 slice white bread
- 1 slice granary bread
- olive oil

### TO GARNISH

- 1 tbsp crème fraîche
- Handful chopped fresh parsley

### Preparation:

- 1 Place all the spices and seasonings for the croutons in a heavy based frying pan. Gently toast over a very low heat for approximately 10-15 minutes, removing from over before they burn. Put in a small bowl and reserve until needed for the croutons. Preheat oven to 425 F (220 C) gas mark 7.
- 2 Season the flour with the mustard powder, salt and pepper. Toss the lamb in the seasoned flour and coat well. Rub together 25 g of butter and the remaining seasoned flour.
- 3 Crush the garlic, slice the onion into rings and finely chop the shallots. Fry in the remaining butter and olive oil until golden brown. Remove and set aside.



- 4 In the same pan, fry the flour-coated lamb in batches until browned on all sides. Remove and place in a flameproof casserole dish and add the reserved garlic, onion and shallot mixture.
- 5 To the same frying pan, add the Kahlua and the coffee to the sticky brown residue in the pan and, over medium heat. Use a whisk to scrape up all the bits from the base of the pan for about 4 minutes. The sauce should be reduced by half and form a glossy smooth sauce.

- 6 Add the lamb stock and the flour and butter mixture, continuing to stir. Bring to a boil and pour over the meat and onion mixture.

- 7 Place the casserole dish in the middle of the oven for and cook for 15 minutes. Then reduce the temperature to 160 C (325 F) gas mark 3 and cook for another 45 minutes or until the lamb is tender.

- 8 For the croutons, blend all the reserved spices and discard the cardamom pods. Cut the bread into cubes and gently fry with the spices and olive oil. Remove and set aside.

- 9 Remove the lamb from the oven and stir in the pieces of chocolate and incorporate well into the casserole. Garnish with crème fraîche, chopped parsley and the croutons. Serve with boiled new potatoes or mashed potatoes and vegetables. Makes 4-6 servings.

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## Green & Black's Organic Dishwasher Chocolate Martini

### Ingredients:

- 750 ml bottle Vodka
- 2 100g Green & Black's Dark 70% chocolate bars
- 2 teaspoons sugar syrup
- ¼ teaspoon vanilla extract
- Ice

### Preparation: MAKING THE CHOCOLATE VODKA

- 1 Prepare the chocolate vodka several hours in advance or the night before. Pour 250 ml of vodka reserving for later. This will leave 500 ml in the bottle.

- 2 Break up the chocolate and feed into the bottle, reserving some chocolate for

garnish. This should bring the vodka back to the level when it was full. Make sure to not overfill as the liquor will expand a little in the dishwasher. Put the lid back on and wrap Saran Wrap around the lid and bottle neck.

- 3 Place the bottle in the dishwasher and run it through a normal wash cycle. This will melt the chocolate into the vodka. After the wash cycle give the bottle a good shake. If the chocolate is not fully melted run the wash cycle a second time.

- 4 Once the chocolate is fully melted, allow the vodka to cool down at room temperature. Place the bottle in the freezer for a few hours or leave overnight.

### MAKING THE MARTINI

- 1 Fill your martini glass with ice to chill. Grate the



reserved chocolate onto a large plate.

- 2 In a cocktail shaker, pour 70 ml of chocolate vodka. Add the sugar syrup and vanilla extract and a handful of ice. Shake vigorously.

- 3 Discard the ice from the glass. Dip the rim of the glass into the grated chocolate and double sieve the

martini into the glass and serve. Makes 10 servings.

### TIPS:

The amount of sugar syrup you add should be according to your taste. Substitute vodka with gin or white rum.

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# Crank up the relationship heat meter



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The day of romance is fast approaching and you are scrambling for a last-minute Valentine's Day fix.

OK, relax — you can still make it. Whether you are on a tight budget or money is no object, simplicity is the key to the heart here. Even better? Turning out a thoughtful gesture needn't be complicated.

So breathe, as these last-minute V-Day ideas are guaranteed to quickly crank up the relationship heat meter.

From getting things stirring in the kitchen and clipping sexy coupons, to indulging in mutual massages, the manufactured, sugar-laden celebration of V-Day does offer the perfect excuse to get intimately creative.

If the thought of battling restaurant crowds sounds unappetizing, no problem.

Cooking together is one delicious way to squeeze in quality time while dishing out some serious aphrodisiacs.

The Electrolux Passion For Food Survey out of Australia found that 44 per cent of respondents share "intimate moments" with their partners in the kitchen, and 90 per cent said a partner's ability to whip up a meal was important.

The best choices for achieving amorous results include a traditional roast, followed by seafood and steak.

For those

pinched for grocery-shopping time or if cooking is not your strength, consider ordering in your partner's favourite meal. Set the mood with candles and music (and be sure to bust out the cloth napkins!)

For time-saving V-Day solutions, go online and book a fun surprise. Sure, planning a fabulous weekend getaway is nice, but they can be costly.

Instead, opt for more budget-friendly solutions by booking a couples' massage, ordering tickets to an upcoming concert, or securing spots in the Thai cooking class you have both been talking about. Package the gift details in a card and, voila, you are set.

## Sassy enhancers

- ▶ Adding a few libido pleasers will boost the mood — and these quickie ideas will get you there.
- ▶ Visit a local erotic shop and create a special goody bag.

- ▶ Fun items include sensual massage oils, a deck of playing cards featuring various positions and sizzling ideas, sexy scratch-and-win lottery tickets, and an intimate coupon book for your lover to redeem.



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**unbelievable. The whole hype around it was fun and exciting to be in my 1,000th game, and to top it off with a couple goals and one ended up being a game winner — you can't write that stuff."**

OTTAWA'S CHRIS PHILLIPS ON THURSDAY NIGHT AFTER SCORING A PAIR OF GOALS IN THE SENATORS' 4-3 WIN OVER THE NASHVILLE PREDATORS IN HIS 1,000TH CAREER NHL GAME. PHILLIPS IS ONLY THE 46TH PLAYER IN LEAGUE HISTORY TO PLAY 1,000 GAMES WITH THE SAME TEAM AND THE 270TH PLAYER OVERALL TO REACH THE MILESTONE.



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► Jarome Iginla has his shot blocked by Mike Smith Thursday night in Glendale, Ariz.

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# Offence runs dry in Arizona

► Flames doomed by OT Phoenix power play ► Coyotes move into playoff position with victory

Shane Doan scored a power-play goal at 3:05 of overtime and the Phoenix Coyotes beat the Calgary Flames 2-1 on Thursday night to extend their winning streak to a season-high four games.

Doan's game-winner came 58 seconds after Calgary's Mikael Backlund was called for tripping. With the win, Phoenix moved into eighth place in the Western Conference.

Flames defenceman Blair Jones was hit by a shot in



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front during the overtime power play and was left in-

## Dogged defence

The near air-tight Phoenix defence limited the Flames to four shots through the first 12 minutes.

► Clearing pucks and bodies from in front enabled Mike Smith to make routine saves most of the night.

effective. With essentially two Flames left to defend, Doan was set up by Radim Vrbata at the left faceoff cir-

cle and ripped a one-timer past goalie Leland Irving.

Calgary scored the tying goal on Olli Jokinen's tip-in just over four minutes into the third period.

Tyler Pyatt scored less than eight minutes into the game to stake Phoenix to an early lead. Mike Smith finished with 23 saves.

In his first start since Dec. 30, Irving showed his rust. With the game scoreless near the halfway mark of the opening period, Irving faced a 2-on-1 Coyotes

rush. Leaning back in the crease, he allowed Pyatt's wrist shot to trickle off his pads and into the net.

The Flames lost a key part of their offence when Alex Tanguay left midway through the first. He was struck on the cheek with a puck in front of the Phoenix net and left the ice immediately.

Eventually Tanguay, wearing a full face mask, returned to the ice five minutes into the second period.

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## It's official: Leafs, Wings will play outside

Two iconic franchises, two passionate fanbases and the largest stadium in North America. The Toronto Maple Leafs and Detroit Red Wings are set to take the Winter Classic to a whole new level in 2013.

"It's Hockeytown versus the centre of the hockey universe," Maple Leafs general manager Brian Burke said Thursday.

The Original Six foes will play outdoors at Michigan Stadium — known as the Big House — on Jan. 1, part of a showcase that in-

cludes minor league and junior hockey games at Detroit's Comerica Park.

Toronto will be the first Canadian team to play in the Winter Classic when the Leafs and Wings face off about 75 kilometres west of Detroit in Ann Arbor.

They'll arrive with a fanbase that needed about an hour to crash the ticket pre-sale website after Thursday's announcement. The Leafs' official Twitter feed cited "overwhelming demand" for

# 117

**The Detroit-Toronto rivalry dates to 1927. They play in different conferences now, but the Wings have faced the Leafs in 117 playoff games, second only to 170 Boston-Montreal meetings.**

the problem.

The NHL is expecting to eclipse Michigan Stadium's Guinness World

Record hockey crowd of 104,173 for a 2010 NCAA game.

"Even with 115,000 or more tickets available, we still won't have enough to satisfy the demand," said commissioner Gary Bettman.

Buffalo, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia have all hosted the event. With the Detroit area hosting next year, Bettman felt the time was right to include a Canadian club.

"We thought that we

had built this event to a level where it made sense to do it, and that even from a U.S. network television standpoint, we were comfortable that it would work well," Bettman said.

There have been two outdoor Heritage Classics on Canadian soil: Montreal vs. Edmonton at Commonwealth Stadium in 2003, and Montreal vs. Calgary at McMahon Stadium last year. The game in Edmonton was the NHL's first outdoor regular season game.

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## NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-NY Rangers	52	34	13	1	4	145	106	73	17-0-0-2	17-7-1-2	6-3-0-1	W1
d-Boston	52	33	17	1	1	180	117	68	17-9-1-1	16-8-0-0	4-5-1-0	L1
d-Washington	54	28	21	2	3	151	152	61	17-9-0-2	9-14-2-1	4-3-2-1	L1
Philadelphia	54	31	16	2	5	177	160	69	13-8-1-4	18-8-1-1	4-3-0-3	W1
New Jersey	54	31	19	1	3	153	152	66	15-9-0-3	16-10-1-0	6-2-0-2	L1
Pittsburgh	54	30	19	2	3	163	141	65	15-7-2-0	15-12-0-3	7-2-0-1	L2
Ottawa	57	28	22	5	2	166	177	63	15-11-1-1	13-11-4-1	3-6-1-0	W1
Toronto	55	28	21	3	3	171	161	62	16-8-2-2	12-13-1-1	6-3-0-1	L2
Florida	53	25	17	5	6	134	150	61	14-5-1-6	11-12-4-0	4-3-1-2	W1
Winnipeg	56	26	24	3	3	134	153	58	16-8-0-2	10-16-3-1	5-4-0-1	W2
Montreal	55	22	24	2	7	144	149	53	11-11-2-5	11-13-0-2	5-4-0-1	W3
NY Islanders	53	22	23	5	3	128	154	52	11-12-5-0	11-11-1-2	6-2-1-1	L1
Tampa Bay	53	23	24	3	3	151	180	52	15-8-1-1	8-16-2-2	6-2-2-0	L2
Buffalo	53	23	24	3	3	132	154	52	12-9-3-3	11-15-0-0	4-5-0-1	W2
Carolina	55	20	25	6	4	139	168	50	14-12-0-3	6-13-6-1	5-2-2-1	L1

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Detroit	55	36	17	1	1	176	131	74	21-2-1-0	15-15-0-1	7-2-0-1	W1
d-Vancouver	53	33	15	0	5	171	133	71	15-0-0-4	18-9-0-1	6-2-0-2	W2
d-San Jose	51	29	16	3	3	148	121	64	17-9-2-0	12-7-1-3	4-5-0-1	L2
St. Louis	53	32	14	1	6	133	109	71	22-3-1-3	10-11-0-3	7-2-0-1	W2
Nashville	55	32	18	2	2	155	144	69	17-7-2-2	15-11-1-0	6-3-0-1	L2
Chicago	54	29	18	4	3	171	163	65	19-6-1-3	10-12-3-0	3-5-2-0	L6
Los Angeles	55	26	19	4	6	119	120	62	15-11-0-4	11-8-4-2	4-4-1-1	L1
Dallas	53	28	23	0	2	141	150	58	15-10-0-2	13-13-0-0	4-5-0-1	W1
Minnesota	53	25	20	2	6	122	136	58	13-7-1-2	12-13-1-4	3-5-0-2	L2
Phoenix	54	25	21	3	5	143	143	58	12-10-2-2	13-11-1-3	5-4-0-1	W3
Calgary	54	25	22	3	4	130	147	57	14-8-1-1	11-14-2-3	5-3-0-2	W1
Colorado	55	27	25	2	1	140	153	57	15-13-0-1	12-12-2-0	4-5-0-1	W2
Anaheim	53	21	24	4	4	138	158	50	15-13-2-0	6-11-2-4	7-2-1-0	W1
Edmonton	54	21	28	1	4	143	162	47	15-8-1-2	6-20-0-2	4-5-0-1	W2
Columbus	54	15	33	1	5	125	179	36	9-14-1-2	6-19-0-3	3-6-0-1	L1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

#### Last night's results

Montreal 4 N.Y. Islanders 2  
Ottawa 4 Nashville 3  
Vancouver 5 Minnesota 2  
Winnipeg 3 Washington 2 (SO)  
Philadelphia 4 Toronto 3  
Phoenix 2 Calgary 1 (OT)  
Dallas 4 Columbus 2  
Florida 3 Los Angeles 1  
N.Y. Rangers 4 Tampa Bay 3 (OT)  
St. Louis 4 New Jersey 3 (SO)

#### Wednesday's results

Calgary 4 San Jose 3  
Detroit 4 Edmonton 2  
Buffalo 6 Boston 0  
Anaheim 3 Carolina 2 (OT)

**Tonight's games — All Times Eastern**  
Winnipeg at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
Dallas at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.  
Anaheim at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
Carolina at Colorado, 9 p.m.  
Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

#### Tomorrow's games

Nashville at Boston, 1 p.m.  
Florida at New Jersey, 1 p.m.  
Los Angeles at N.Y. Islanders, 1 p.m.  
N.Y. Rangers at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.  
Edmonton at Ottawa, 2 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Buffalo, 2 p.m.

#### Sunday's games

Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 12:30 p.m.  
Florida at N.Y. Islanders, 3 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Detroit, 4 p.m.  
Anaheim at Columbus, 6 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Dallas, 6 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
San Jose at St. Louis, 7 p.m.

### CANADIENS 4, ISLANDERS 2

**First Period**  
1. Montreal, Pacioretty 20 (Cole) 1:23  
**Penalty** — Desharnais Mtl (tripping) 19:54.

**Second Period**  
2. Montreal, Pacioretty 21 (Desharnais) 9:30  
**Penalties** — None.

**Third Period**  
3. Montreal, Gomez 1 (Diaz, Campoli) 9:50 (pp)  
4. N.Y. Islanders, Moulson 24 (Tavares, Parenteau) 17:19 (pp)

5. N.Y. Islanders, Streit 4 (Okposo) 18:07  
6. Montreal, Pacioretty 22 (Plekane) 19:59 (en)  
**Penalties** — Tavares Nvi (interference) 8:43, Eller Mtl (high-sticking) 16:22.

**Shots on goal by**  
Montreal 10 11 11 — 32  
N.Y. Islanders 10 14 9 — 33

**Goal** — Montreal: Price (W,20-19-8); N.Y. Islanders: Nabokov (L,12-13-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Montreal: 1-1; N.Y. Islanders: 1-2.

**Attendance** — 12,312 (16,234) at Unidome, I.N.T.

### FLYERS 4, MAPLE LEAFS 3

**First Period**  
1. Philadelphia, Hartnell 26 (Gustafsson) 14:38  
**Penalties** — B.Schenn Pha (high-sticking) 0:21, L.Schenn Tor (high-sticking) 3:34, M.Brown Tor, Rinaldo Pha (fighting) 8:45, Phaneuf Tor (fighting), Hartnell Pha (slashing, fighting) 14:38, Gardiner Tor (hooking) 15:45.

**Second Period**  
2. Toronto, Bozak 11 (P.Kessel, L.Schenn) 0:54  
3. Philadelphia, Talbot 13 (Meszaros) 3:32  
4. Toronto, Lupul 22 (Phaneuf, P.Kessel) 5:57 (pp)

5. Philadelphia, Giroux 21 (Hartnell, Jagr) 13:53  
6. Philadelphia, B.Schenn 6 (Briere, Simmonds) 15:07

7. Toronto, Bozak 12 (L.Schenn, Lupul) 18:09  
**Penalties** — Meszaros Pha (holding) 5:14, Gunnarsson Tor (interference) 7:31.

#### Third Period — No Scoring.

**Penalties** — Grabovski Tor (goaltender interference) 9:33, Talbot Pha (boarding) 17:53.

**Shots on goal by**  
Toronto 5 12 10 — 27  
Philadelphia 16 14 9 — 39

**Goal** — Toronto: Reimer (L,10-6-4); Philadelphia: Bobrovsky (W,12-5-1). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Toronto: 1-4; Philadelphia: 0-4.

**Attendance** — 19,684 (19,537) at Philadelphia.

### SENATORS 4, PREDATORS 3

**First Period**  
1. Ottawa, Spezza 21 (Michalek, Butler) 4:46  
2. Nashville, Bourque 2 (Tootoo, Suter) 19:46  
**Penalty** — Foligno Ott (goaltender interference) 13:14.

**Second Period**  
3. Ottawa, Phillips 1 (Butler, Spezza) 7:50  
4. Nashville, Honqvist 16 (Suter, Erat) 12:40 (pp)

5. Ottawa, Spezza 22 (Michalek) 18:55 (pp)  
**Penalties** — Kostitsyn Nash (holding) 1:40, Spaling Nash (tripping) 3:28, Bouillon Nash (high-sticking) 8:32, O'Brien Ott (elbowing) 12:16, Greening Ott (tripping) 15:18, Erat Nash (hooking) 18:49.

**Third Period**  
6. Ottawa, Phillips 2 (Kuba, Foligno) 13:35 (pp)  
7. Nashville, Erat 13, 19:49

**Penalties** — Legwand Nash (slashing) 11:55, Lee Ott (interference) 13:49, Legwand Nash (hooking) 14:22, Turris Ott (hooking) 17:19.

**Shots on goal by**  
Nashville 6 11 10 — 27  
Ottawa 8 12 9 — 29

**Goal** — Nashville: Rinne (L,30-12-5); Ottawa: Auld (W,2-3-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Nashville: 1-5; Ottawa: 2-5.

**Attendance** — 18,500 (19,153) at Ottawa.

### JETS 3, CAPITALS 2 (SO)

**First Period** — No Scoring.  
**Penalties** — None.

**Second Period** — No Scoring.  
**Penalty** — Bogosian Wpg (holding) 12:28.

**Third Period**  
1. Washington, Ovechkin 23 (Semin, Wideman) 9:46 (pp)  
2. Washington, Semin 14 (Ovechkin, Wideman) 12:30 (pp)

3. Winnipeg, Kane 19 (Ladd, Byfuglien) 17:45 (pp)  
4. Winnipeg, Byfuglien 7, 17:57 (pp)

**Penalties** — Halpern Wash (hooking) 5:02, Enstrom Wpg (slashing) 9:36, Little Wpg (double high-sticking) 12:18, Hamrik Wash (slashing) 15:55, Laich Wash (broken stick) 17:04.

**Overtime** — No Scoring.  
**Penalties** — Byfuglien Wpg (tripping) 4:42, Glass Wpg (slashing) 5:00.

**Shootout — Winnipeg wins 2-1**  
**Winnipeg (2)** — Wheeler, goal; Little, goal.

**Washington (1)** — Ovechkin, goal; Semin, miss; Perreault, miss.

**Shots on goal by**  
Winnipeg 4 11 11 — 27  
Washington 12 12 8 — 34

**Goal** — Winnipeg: Pavelec (W,20-18-6); Washington: Vokoun (L,22-13-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Winnipeg: 2-3; Washington: 2-5.

**Attendance** — 18,506 (18,398) at Washington.

### CANUCKS 5, WILD 2

**First Period**  
1. Minnesota, Heatley 18 (Setoguchi) 0:13  
2. Vancouver, D.Sedin 24 (Edler, Salo) 14:04 (pp)

3. Vancouver, Lapierre 6, 19:18  
**Penalties** — Bitz Vcr (goaltender interference) 1:49, Cullen Min (high-sticking) 12:35, Prosser Min (tripping) 12:49.

**Second Period**  
4. Vancouver, H.Sedin 12 (Bitz, D.Sedin) 0:50  
**Penalties** — Minnesota bench (too many men; served by Christensen) 1:35, Raymond Vcr (holding stick) 11:02.

#### Third Period

5. Vancouver, Malhotra 5 (Bieksa, Hansen) 7:32  
6. Minnesota, Setoguchi 11 (Prosser) 15:58 (pp)

7. Vcr, Kesler 18 (Burrows, Booth) 18:47 (en)  
**Penalties** — Lapierre Vcr, Clutterbuck Min (fighting) 1:46, Rome Vcr (holding) 14:09, Lapierre Vcr (spearing major, game misconduct) 19:32, Hamhuis Vcr, Clutterbuck Min (misconduct), Bieksa Vcr (roughing, misconduct), Heatley Min (roughing) 19:41.

**Shots on goal by**  
Vancouver 9 7 4 — 20  
Minnesota 5 9 10 — 24

**Goal** — Vancouver: C.Schneider (W,12-5-0); Minnesota: Backstrom (L,14-14-5). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Vancouver: 1-3; Minnesota: 1-4.

**Attendance** — 17,859 (18,064) at St. Paul, Minn.

### COYOTES 2, FLAMES 1 (OT)

**First Period**  
1. Phoenix, Pyatt 7 (Klesla, Chipchura) 7:43  
**Penalties** — None.

**Second Period** — No Scoring.  
**Penalties** — Brodie Cal (hooking) 5:37, Pyatt Pho (high-sticking) 5:59, Giordano Cal (tripping) 12:30, Doan Pho (boarding) 15:47.

**Third Period**  
2. Calgary, Jokinen 17 (Giordano, Hannan) 4:01  
**Penalties** — Bouma Cal, Yandle Pho (roughing) 2:20, Backlund Cal (roughing), Yandle Pho (double roughing) 5:57.

**Overtime**  
3. Phoenix, Doan 16 (Vrbata, Whitney) 3:05 (pp)  
**Penalties** — Backlund Cal (tripping) 2:07, Butler Cal (misconduct) 3:05.

**Shots on goal by**  
Calgary 10 4 8 — 24  
Phoenix 12 10 9 — 4-35

**Goal** — Calgary: Irving (L,1-1-3); Phoenix: Smith (W,22-14-7). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Calgary: 0-3; Phoenix: 1-3.

**Att.** — 10,048 (17,135) at Glendale, Ariz.

### SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Malkin, Pgh	29	33	62
Giroux, Pha	20	40	60
Stamkos, TB	35	23	58
Kessel, Tor	30	28	58
H.Sedin, Vcr	11	46	57
Lupul, Tor	21	35	56
Datsyuk, Det	14	41	55
Eberle, Edm	24	30	54
D.Sedin, Vcr	23	30	53

Not including last night's games

### NLL

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Toronto	5	3	2	.600	61	56	—
Philadelphia	4	2	2	.500	41	56	/-
Buffalo	5	2	3	.400	57	62	1
Rochester	5	1	4	.200	67	67	2

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Colorado	5	5	0	1.000	71	56	—
Minnesota	3	2	1	.667	49	47	2
Calgary	4	2	2	.500	50	46	2 1/2
Edmonton	3	1	2	.333	35	29	3
Washington	4	1	3	.250	35	49	3 1/2

#### WEEK SIX

**Tonight's games — All Times Eastern**  
Edmonton at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.  
Calgary at Washington, 11 p.m.

**Sunday's games**  
Rochester at Minnesota, 3 p.m.  
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.

## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Chicago	22	6	.786	—
d-Miami	19	7	.731	2
d-Philadelphia	18	8	.692	3
Indiana	17	8	.680	3 1/2
Atlanta	17	9	.654	4
Orlando	16	10	.615	5
Boston	14	11	.560	6 1/2
Milwaukee	11	14	.440	9 1/2
New York	11	15	.423	10
Cleveland	10	14	.417	10
New Jersey	8	19	.296	13 1/2
Toronto	8	19	.296	13 1/2
Detroit	7	20	.259	14 1/2
Washington	5	21	.192	16
Charlotte	3	22	.120	17 1/2

d — division leaders ranked in top four positions regardless of record.

#### Last night's results

L.A. Lakers 88 Boston 87 (OT)  
Golden State 109 Denver 101  
Houston 96 Phoenix 89  
Oklahoma City at Sacramento

**Wednesday's results**  
Milwaukee 105 Toronto 99  
Atlanta 97 Indiana 87  
Chicago 90 New Orleans 67  
Cleveland 99 L.A. Clippers 92  
Dallas 105 Denver 95  
Detroit 99 New Jersey 92  
Houston 103 Portland 96  
Memphis 85 Minnesota 80  
New York 107 Washington 93  
Orlando 102 Miami 89  
San Antonio 100 Philadelphia 90

**Tonight's games — All Times Eastern**  
Boston at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
Chicago at Charlotte, 7 p.m.  
Atlanta at Orlando, 7 p.m.  
Miami at Washington, 7 p.m.  
L.A. Clippers at Philadelphia, 7 p

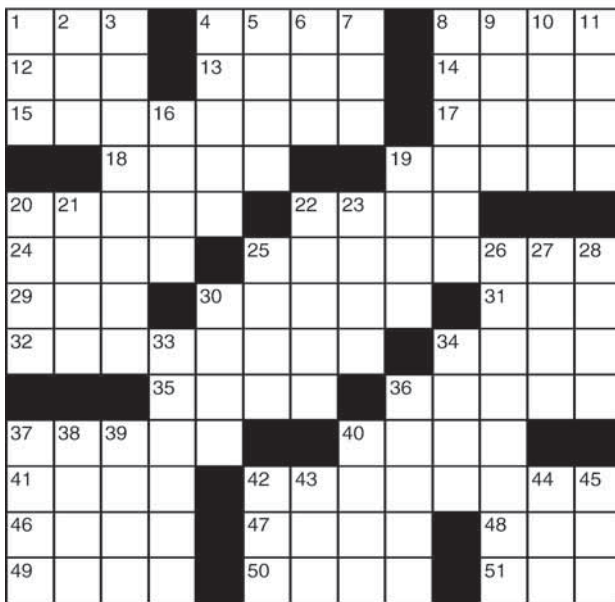
## Crossword

## Across

1 Ump  
4 Touch  
8 Complain habitually  
12 "— Little Teapot"  
13 Traditional tales  
14 Addict  
15 Platypus feature  
17 Comedian Caroline  
18 Hebrew month  
19 In a crafty way  
20 Mideast belief  
22 You  
24 Bridle strap  
25 Voluntary choice  
29 Worldwide lending org.  
30 Sloop features  
31 Conk out  
32 Don't fidget  
34 Adolescent  
35 Weightlifter's lift  
36 "Trivial Pursuit" edition  
37 Recovery center  
40 Splinter group  
41 Luminary  
42 Into worse shape  
46 Crooner Jerry  
47 Jai —  
48 Dead heat  
49 Trudge along  
50 Actress Neuwirth  
51 However

## Down

1 Disencumber  
2 Ostrich's cousin  
3 Cosmetic procedure  
4 Photo book  
5 Seethe  
6 Web address  
7 Aviv predecessor  
8 Sandpiper relative  
9 Wan  
10 Bobbin  
11 Say the paternoster  
16 "The Birth of a Nation" group  
19 Gets a glimpse of  
20 Rainbow goddess  
21 Half (Pref.)  
22 Warble  
23 Satan's domain  
25 Equitable  
26 Modern-day target of theft  
27 Stead  
28 Camera part

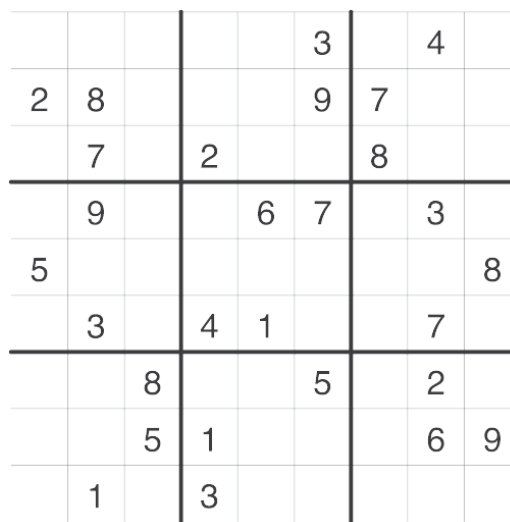


30 Moviegoer's souvenir  
33 Afraid  
34 Georgia or Cal —  
36 Bottled spirit?  
37 Answer an invite  
38 List-ending abbr.  
39 Head light?  
40 Mop  
42 Brylcreem bit  
43 Bullring bravo  
44 Whopper  
45 Allow

## Yesterday's answer



## Sudoku



## How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

## Yesterday's answer

2	1	7	3	5	6	8	4	9
6	3	8	4	9	2	7	5	1
4	5	9	8	1	7	6	3	2
7	2	5	9	6	1	4	8	3
1	6	4	2	8	3	9	7	5
9	8	3	5	7	4	2	1	6
3	7	6	1	4	9	5	2	8
8	4	2	6	3	5	1	9	7
5	9	1	7	2	8	3	6	4

## A look at the weather

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
☀ Min -13° ☀ Max -9°	☀ Min -16° ☀ Max -4°	☁ Min -7° ☁ Max 6°

## Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist

"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta". WEEKDAYS 5:30AM



## Today's horoscope

## ♈ Aries March 21-April 20

It's a good thing you like surprises because there will be plenty today and over the weekend.

## ♉ Taurus April 21-May 21

Someone you think is a friend may in fact be harbouring a grudge, so keep your eyes and ears open.

## ♊ Gemini May 22-June 21

Today and tomorrow, many strange things will happen to make you wonder if there is more to life than what your five senses tell you.

## ♋ Cancer June 22-July 22

You need to break free of habits that hold you back from realizing your potential. Time for change.

## ♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23

Try something you have never done before. The last thing you need is to get stuck in a rut.

## ♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Don't try to hang on to things that are being taken away from you. You're better off without them.

## ♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

You will meet someone today who inspires you to do more with your life. You will also inspire others.

## ♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Unexpected changes will throw you out of your stride for a bit, but a Scorpio is never in limbo for long. You'll regain confidence soon.

For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to [metronews.ca](http://metronews.ca)

## ♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

This is a hugely positive time for creative endeavors, so don't sit waiting for life to come to you.

## ♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Someone with whom you are close will do something that shocks you. He or she is entitled to be different.

## ♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You will get the red carpet treatment today. But be selective where invitations are concerned. You're popular but can't be everywhere.

## ♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Col-leagues may need some convincing that what you are planning is a good idea. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Caption contest



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One of the wisest kings of old once said, "The hearing ear and the seeing eye, The Lord has made both of them." Your eyes drive your vision, while your vision drives the course of your life. You cannot attain much except you visualize it. Isn't it time you see yourself as God sees you?!

Your time is now - Expect something new!

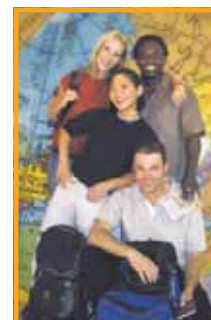
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